

## **CATAWBA COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES**

Re:  
Emergency Management,  
Emergency Services, Fire and Rescue

Emergency Management, Emergency Services, Fire and Animal Control

**TITLE 33: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT, EMERGENCY SERVICES**

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**CHAPTER 330: CATAWBA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

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**CATAWBA COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

**§ 330.01 ESTABLISHMENT; COORDINATOR**

The county established the Catawba County Civil Defense Agency and appointed a director of such agency pursuant to budgetary authority conferred July 6, 1961. By resolution of January 6, 1975, the name of such agency was changed to the Catawba County Civil Preparedness Agency, and the director's title was changed to Coordinator of the Agency. On March 10, 1981, the Board of Commissioners changed the name of the Catawba County Civil Preparedness Agency to Catawba County Emergency Management [Agency]. The Catawba County Director of Emergency Services serves as the Coordinator of Emergency Management. ('77 Code, § 6-1) (Ord. passed 11-17-81)

**§ 330.02 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE FOR THE COUNTY OF CATAWBA**

This subchapter shall be known and may be cited and referred to as "The Emergency Management Ordinance for the County of Catawba."  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

**§ 330.03 INTENT AND PURPOSE.**

- (A) It is the intent and purpose of this subchapter to establish an office that will insure the complete and efficient utilization of all of the county's resources to combat disaster resulting from enemy actions or other disasters as defined herein. **§ 330.03**
- (B) The County Office of Emergency Management will be the coordinating agency for all activity in connection with Emergency Management. It will be the instrument through which the County Board of Commissioners may exercise the authority and discharge the responsibilities vested in them during disaster emergencies. **§ 330.03**
- (C) This subchapter will not relieve any county department of the moral responsibilities or authority given to it in the County Charter or by local ordinances, nor will it adversely affect

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the work of any volunteer agency organized for relief in disaster emergencies. **§ 330.03**  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 330.04 DEFINITIONS.**

For the purpose of this subchapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

**ATTACK.** Direct or indirect assault against the county, its government, its environs, or of the nation, by forces of a hostile nation or the agents thereof, including assault by bombing, conventional or nuclear, chemical or biological warfare, terrorism or sabotage.

**COORDINATOR.** The Coordinator of the Catawba County Emergency Management Agency, appointed as prescribed in this subchapter.

**DISASTER.** Actual or threatened enemy attack, sabotage, extraordinary fire, flood, storm, epidemic, accident, chemical spill or other impending or actual calamity endangering or threatening to endanger health, life or property of constituted government.

#### **EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.**

- (1) The basic government functions of maintaining the public peace, health and safety during an emergency. This term shall include plans and preparations for protection and relief, and recovery from effects of an attack by the forces of an enemy nation or the agents thereof, or a disaster as defined herein. It shall not, however, include any activity that is the primary responsibility of the military forces of the United States.
- (2) The employees, equipment and facilities of all county departments, boards, councils, institutions and commissions; and in addition, it shall include all volunteer personnel, equipment and facilities contributed by, or obtained from, volunteer persons or agencies.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT VOLUNTEER.** Any person duly registered, identified and appointed by the Coordinator of the Catawba County Emergency Management Agency and assigned to participate in the emergency management activity.

**REGULATIONS.** Plans, programs and other emergency procedures deemed essential to emergency management.

**VOLUNTEER.** Contributing a service, equipment or facilities to the Emergency Management Agency without remuneration.  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 330.05 ORGANIZATION AND APPOINTMENTS.**

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- (A) The organization shall consist of the following:
- (1) An agency of Emergency Management within the executive department of the county government under the direction of the County Board of Commissioners. The agency head of the County Emergency Management Agency shall be known as the Coordinator, and such assistants and other employees as are deemed necessary for the proper functioning of the agency will be appointed. § 330.05 (A)
  - (2) The employees and resources of all county departments, boards, institutions, and councils shall participate in the emergency management activities. Duties assigned to county departments shall be the same as or similar to the normal duties of the department, where possible. § 330.05 (A)
  - (3) Volunteer personnel and agencies offering service to, and accepted by the county. § 330.05 (A)
- (B) The Catawba County Board of Commissioners shall appoint a coordinator of the Catawba County Emergency Management Agency who shall be a person well versed and trained in planning operations involving the activities of many different agencies which will operate to protect the public health, safety and welfare in the event of danger from enemy action or disaster as defined in this subchapter. § 330.05
- (C) The Coordinator shall designate and appoint Deputy Coordinators to assume the emergency duties of the Coordinator in the event of his absence or inability to act. § 330.05  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 330.06 DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE COORDINATOR.**

- (A) The Coordinator shall be responsible to the Catawba County Board of Commissioners in regard to all phases of emergency management activity. § 330.06
- (B) The Coordinator shall be responsible for the planning, coordination and operation of the emergency management activities in the county. § 330.06
- (C) The Coordinator shall maintain liaison with the state and federal authorities and the authorities of nearby political subdivisions so as to insure the most effective operation of the emergency management plans. § 330.06
- (D) The Coordinator's duties shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
- (1) Coordinating the recruitment of volunteer personnel and agencies to augment the personnel and facilities of the county for emergency management purposes. § 330.06 (D)
  - (2) Development and coordination of plans for the immediate use of all facilities, equipment, manpower and other resources of the county for the purpose of minimizing or preventing damage to persons and property; and protecting and

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restoring to usefulness governmental services and public utilities necessary for the public health, safety, and welfare

§ 330.06 (D)

- (3) Negotiating and concluding agreements with owners or persons in control of building or other property for the use of such building or other property for the emergency management purposes and designating suitable buildings as public shelters. § 330.06 (D)
- (4) Through public informational programs, educating the populace as to actions necessary and required for the protection of their persons and property in case of enemy attack or disaster as defined herein, either impending or present. § 330.06 (D)
- (5) Conducting public practice alerts to insure the efficient operation of the emergency management forces and to familiarize residents with emergency management regulations, procedures and operations. § 330.06 (D)
- (6) Coordinating the activity of all other public and private agencies engaged in any emergency management activities. (Ord. passed 8-2-93) § 330.06 (D)

### § 330.07 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANS.

- (A) Comprehensive emergency management plans shall be adopted and maintained by resolution of the County Board of Commissioners. In the preparations of these plans as it pertains to county organization, it is intended that the services, equipment and facilities and personnel of all existing departments and agencies shall be utilized to the fullest extent. When approved, it shall be the duty of all departments and agencies to perform the functions assigned by these plans and to maintain their portions of the plans in a current state of readiness at all times. These plans shall have the effect of law whenever a disaster, as defined in this subchapter, has been proclaimed. § 330.07
- (B) The Coordinator shall prescribe in the emergency plans those positions within the disaster organization, in addition to his own, for which lines of succession are necessary. In each instance, the responsible person will designate and keep on file with the Coordinator a current list of three persons as successors to his position. The list will be in order of succession and will nearly as possible designate persons best capable of carrying out all assigned duties and functions. § 330.07
- (C) Each service chief and department head assigned responsibility in the plans shall be responsible for carrying out all duties and functions assigned therein. Duties will include the organization and training of assigned employees and where needed volunteers. Each chief shall formulate the standing operating procedure to implement the plans for his service. § 330.07
- (D) Amendments to these plans shall be submitted to the Coordinator. If approved, the Coordinator will then submit the amendments to the County Board of Commissioners with his recommendation for its approval. Such amendments shall take effect 30 days from the date of approval. § 330.07

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- (E) When a required competency or skill for a disaster function is not available within government, the Coordinator is authorized to seek assistance from persons outside of government. The assignment of duties, when of a supervisory nature, shall also include the granting of authority for the persons so assigned to carry out such duties prior to, during, and after the occurrence of a disaster. Such services from persons outside of government may be accepted by local government on a volunteer basis. Such citizens shall be enrolled as emergency management volunteers. § 330.07  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 330.08 NO MUNICIPAL OR PRIVATE LIABILITY.**

- (A) This subchapter is an exercise by the county of its governmental functions for the protection of the public peace, health, and safety, and neither the county nor agents and representatives of same, or any individual, receiver, firm, partnership, corporation, association, or trustee, or any of the agents thereof in good faith carrying out, complying with or attempting to comply with any order, rule or regulation promulgated pursuant to the provisions of this subchapter, shall be liable for any damage sustained to persons or property as the result of said activity. § 330.08
- (B) Any person owning or controlling real estate or other premises who voluntarily and without compensation grants the county the right to inspect, designate and use the whole or any part or parts of such real estate or premises for the purpose of sheltering persons during an actual, impending or practice disaster situation shall not be civilly liable for the death of, or injury to, any persons on or about such real estate or premises under such license, privilege or other permission; or for loss of, or damage to, the property of such person. § 330.08  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 330.09 VIOLATIONS.**

It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to violate any of the provisions of this subchapter or plans issued pursuant to the authority contained herein, or to willfully obstruct, hinder or delay any member of the emergency management organization as herein defined in the enforcement of the provisions of this subchapter or any plan issued thereunder.

(Ord. passed 8-2-93) Penalty, see Title 33 Penalty, page 31.

### **§ 330.10 APPLICABILITY EXTENSIONS.**

The following municipalities have ratified this ordinance and have adopted it as their own, including all forms and conditions specified within: Brookford, Catawba, Claremont, Conover, Hickory, Long View, Maiden, and Newton.

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**CHAPTER 331: HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

**Section**

**§ 331.01 Hazardous Materials Emergencies**

**§ 331.01 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS EMERGENCIES**

- (A) Authority. Pursuant to G.S. Ch. 166A, the Emergency Management Act, and the general powers granted to the Department of Environment, Health and Natural Resources to abate public health nuisances shall be delegated to the Catawba County Emergency Management office.
- (B) Purpose and intent. The duties of the Catawba County Emergency Management office shall include controlling and eliminating the threat to public health that hazardous materials/waste emergencies pose which include, but are not limited to spills, accidents, illegal dumping and other releases of hazardous materials into the environment. The Emergency Management office shall have the authority to summarily remove, abate, or remedy hazardous material emergencies within the jurisdiction of Catawba County that are a threat to public safety. The expense of such action shall be borne by the party in default.
- (C) Charges. Liability for an incident which threatens public health lies with the owner or agent of the owner of the hazardous materials who shall be liable for all containment and removal costs, including the county's response fee, and for the use of any other equipment and materials necessary to abate the threat to public safety.  
(Ord. passed 11-6-95)



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**CHAPTER 332: STATE OF EMERGENCY**

**Section**

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**§ 332.01 RESTRICTIONS AUTHORIZED.**

- (A) A State of Emergency shall be deemed to exist whenever during times of public crisis, disaster, rioting, catastrophe, or similar public emergency, for any reason, public safety authorities are unable to maintain public order or afford adequate protection for lives, safety or property, or whenever the occurrence of any such condition is imminent. § 332.01
- (B) In the event of an existing or threatened state of emergency endangering the lives, safety, health and welfare of the people within the county or any part thereof, or threatening damages to or destruction of property, the Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of the county is authorized and empowered under G.S. §§ 14-288.13 and 166A-8 to issue a public proclamation declaring to all persons the existence of such a state of emergency, and, in order to more effectively protect the lives and property of people within the county, to place in effect any or all of the restrictions hereinafter authorized. § 332.01
- (C) The Chairperson is hereby authorized and empowered to limit by the proclamation the application of all or any part of such restrictions to any area specifically designated or described within the county and to specific hours of the day or night; and to exempt from all or any part of such restrictions, while acting in the line of and within the scope of their respective duties, law enforcement officers, fire-fighters and other public employees, rescue squad members, doctors, nurses, employees of hospitals and other medical facilities; on-duty military personnel, whether state or federal; on-duty employees of public utilities, public transportation companies, and newspaper, magazine, radio broadcasting, and television broadcasting corporations operated for profit; and such other classes of persons as may be essential to the preservation of public order and immediately necessary to serve the safety, health. and welfare needs of people within the county. § 332.01

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(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 332.02 PROCLAMATION IMPOSING PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

- (A) The Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners of the county by proclamation may impose the prohibitions and restrictions specified in *Chapter, 332, State of Emergency*, in the manner described in those sections. The Chairperson may impose as many of those specified prohibitions and restrictions as he finds are necessary, because of an emergency, to maintain an acceptable level of public order and services, and to protect lives, safety, and property. The Chairperson shall recite his findings in the proclamation. § 332.02
  - (B) The proclamation shall be in writing. The Chairperson shall take reasonable steps to give notice of the terms of the proclamation to those affected by it and shall post a copy of it in the County Courthouse. The Chairperson shall send reports of the substance of the proclamation to the mass communications media which serves the affected area. The Chairperson shall retain a text of the proclamation and furnish upon request certified copies of it. § 332.02
- (Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 332.03 EVACUATION**

The Chairperson may direct and compel the evacuation of all or part of the population of the County of Catawba, to prescribe routes, modes of transportation, and destination in connection with evacuation; and to control ingress and egress of a disaster area, the movement of persons within the area, and the occupancy of premises therein. Details of the evacuation may be set forth or amended in a subsequent proclamation which shall be well publicized.

### **§ 332.04 CURFEW.**

- (A) The proclamation may impose a curfew prohibiting in certain areas and during certain periods the appearance in public of anyone who is not a member of an exempted class. The proclamation shall specify the geographical area or areas and the period during each 24-hour day to which the curfew applies. The Chairperson may exempt from some or all of the curfew restrictions classes of people whose exemption the Chairperson finds necessary for the preservation of the public health, safety, and welfare. The proclamation shall state the exempted classes and the restrictions from which each is exempted. § 332.04
  - (B) Unless otherwise specified in the proclamation, the curfew shall apply during the specified period each day until the Chairperson by proclamation removes the curfew. § 332.04
- (Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 332.05 POSSESSION, CONSUMPTION, OR TRANSFER OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES**

The proclamation may prohibit the possession or consumption of any alcoholic beverage; including beer, wine, and spirituous liquor other than on one's own premises, and may prohibit the transfer, transportation, sale or purchases of any alcoholic beverage within the area of the county described in the proclamation. The prohibition, if imposed, may apply to transfers of alcoholic beverages by employees of Alcoholic Beverage

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Control stores as well as by anyone else within the geographical area described. (Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### **§ 332.06 POSSESSION, TRANSPORTATION, AND TRANSFER OF DANGEROUS WEAPONS AND SUBSTANCES.**

- (A) The proclamation may prohibit the transportation or possession off one's own premises, or the sale or purchase of any dangerous weapon or substance. The Chairperson may exempt from some or all of the restrictions, classes of people whose possession, transfer, or transportation of certain dangerous weapons or substances is necessary to the preservation of the public's health, safety, or welfare. The proclamation shall state the exempted classes and the restrictions from which each is *exempted*.

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- (B) Definition. For the purpose of this section, the following definition shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

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#### **DANGEROUS WEAPON or DANGEROUS SUBSTANCE.**

- (1) Any deadly weapon, ammunition, explosive, incendiary device, radioactive material or device as defined in G.S. § 14-288.8(c)(5), gasoline, or other instrument or substance designed for a use that carries a threat of serious bodily injury or destruction of property.

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- (2) Any other instrument or substance that is capable of being used to inflict serious bodily injury or destruction of property, when the circumstances indicate that there is some probability that such instrument or substance will be so used.

§ 332.06(B)

- (3) Any part or ingredient in any instrument or substance included above when the circumstances indicate a probability that such a part or ingredient will be so used.

§ 332.06(B)

- (C) If imposed, the restrictions shall apply throughout the jurisdiction of the county or such part thereof as designated in the proclamation.

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- (D) A violation of this section shall be punishable as provided in G.S. § 14-288.7. (Ord. passed 8-2-93)

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### **§ 332.07 ACCESS TO AREAS**

- (A) The proclamation may prohibit obtaining access or attempting to obtain access to any area, designated in the manner described in this section, in violation of any order, clearly posted notice, or barricade indicating that access is denied or restricted.

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- (B) Areas to which access is denied or restricted shall be designated by the Sheriff and his subordinate or other law enforcement officer when directed in the proclamation to do so by the Chairperson. When acting under this authority, the Sheriff and his subordinates when directed in the proclamation to do so by the Chairperson. When acting under this authority, the Sheriff and his subordinates may restrict or deny access to any area, street, highway or

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location within the county if that restriction or denial of access or use is reasonably necessary to promote efforts being made to overcome the emergency or to prevent further aggravation of the emergency. § 332.07  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### § 332.08 GENERAL PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS.

The proclamation may prohibit or restrict:

- (A) Movements of people in public places; § 332.08
- (B) The operation of offices, business establishments, and other places to or from which people may travel or at which they may congregate; and § 332.08
- (C) Other activities or conditions the control of which may be reasonably necessary to maintain order and protect lives or property during the state of emergency, within the area designated in the proclamation. § 332.08  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### § 332.09 REMOVAL OF PROHIBITIONS AND RESTRICTIONS

The Chairperson shall by proclamation terminate the entire declaration of emergency or remove any of the prohibitions and restrictions when the emergency no longer requires them, or when directed to do so by the Board of Commissioners.  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### § 332.10 SUPERSEDING AND AMENDATORY PROCLAMATIONS.

The Chairperson in his/her discretion may invoke the restrictions authorized by this subchapter in separate proclamations, and may amend any proclamation by means of a superseding proclamation in accordance with the procedures set forth in § 332.02, *Proclamation imposing Prohibitions and Restrictions*.  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### § 332.11 TERMINATION OF PROCLAMATION

Any proclamation issued under this subchapter shall expire five days after its last imposition unless sooner terminated in writing under the same procedures set forth in § 332.02, *Proclamation Imposing Prohibitions and Restrictions*.  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### § 332.12 ABSENCE OR DISABILITY OF CHAIRPERSON.

In case of the absence or disability of the Chairperson, the Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Commissioners, or such other Commissioner as may be designated by the Board of Commissioners, shall have and exercise all of the powers herein given the Chairperson.  
(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

### § 332.13 TERRITORIAL APPLICABILITY.

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This subchapter shall apply within the corporate limits of any municipality, or within any area of the county over which the municipality has jurisdiction to enact general police-power ordinances, fully and to the same extent as elsewhere in the county.

(Ord. passed 8-2-93)

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**CHAPTER 333: EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES**

**Section**

333.01 Purpose and intent

**§ 333:01 PURPOSE AND INTENT**

- (A) The counties of Alexander, Allegheny, Ashe, Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cherokee, Clay, Cleveland, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Polk, Rutherford, Swain, Transylvania, Watauga, Wilkes, Yancey, the Cherokee Indian Reservation and Western North Carolina Emergency Medical Services System, Inc. are intent upon affording the best possible emergency medical services (EMS) in the aforementioned local governments.
- (B) The emergency medical services of the aforementioned counties agree that calls of a routine or non-emergency nature should be directed to the emergency medical services affording service to the county where the calls originate.
- (C) The emergency medical services of the aforementioned counties agree to assist and cooperate with each other in the event of disaster in coordination with the emergency medical service of the county in which the disaster occurs.
- (D) Since emergency calls require immediate attention, the directors of the emergency medical services of the aforementioned counties, will dispatch vehicles for mutual aid in the event of a disaster, regardless of geopolitical boundaries. The dispatching counties will only provide services when vehicles are available so as not to reduce its own ability to provide emergency medical services for the counties' area of responsibility.  
(‘77 Code, § 6<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-21) (Res. passed 1980-91; Am. Res. passed 11-3-80)

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**CHAPTER 334: ENDORSEMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR EMS MUTUAL AID**

**Section**

334.01 Endorsement of guidelines for EMS mutual aid

**§ 334:01 ENDORSEMENT OF GUIDELINES FOR EMS MUTUAL AID.**

- (A) The County Board of Commissioners, in view of the Board's interest in promoting health and safety, endorses the Guidelines for EMS Mutual Aid.
- (B) Nothing herein shall be construed so as to make any of the above named counties or its departments or agents responsible for the payment or collection of emergency medical services charges for serviced provided by any emergency medical service with its base of operation located in any county other than its own, except that a county requesting mutual aid in the event of a disaster should make provision to reimburse the assisting county(ies) for expenses (limited to fuel, food and lodging) incurred as a result of the disaster response. Counties may elect to reimburse further expenses, to be judged on an individual basis.

('77 Code, § 6<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-22) (Res. 1980-91, passed 11-3-80)

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**CHAPTER 335: REGIONAL EMS ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**Section**

335:01 Regional Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Advisory Council

**§ 335.01 REGIONAL EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) ADVISORY COUNCIL.**

- (A) Established. The counties of Alexander, Burke, Caldwell, and Catawba have established a Regional EMS Advisory Council composed of 17 members, four from each county, plus one at-large member who will represent the medical society, and may come from any one of the four counties. The four members will represent four of the following categories as determined by mutual consent from all of the counties. Appointees will serve two-year staggered terms. *§ 335.01*
- (B) Membership. The 17 members shall be from the following categories: *§ 335.01*
- (1) Hospital administrator;
  - (2) Law enforcement;
  - (3) Civic group;
  - (4) Ambulance provider (two members therefrom);
  - (5) Emergency management;
  - (6) General public;
  - (7) Community colleges;
  - (8) Physicians;
  - (9) Nurses;
  - (10) Ambulance/rescue provider;
  - (11) Rescue provider;
  - (12) Minority;
  - (13) Communications;
  - (14) Fire services;
  - (15) County government; and



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(16) One at-large member representing the medical society.

(C) Duties. The Regional EMS Advisory Council shall have the following duties:

- (1) Make recommendations for the expenditure of funds which have been allocated to Region E for emergency medical services; § 335.01(C)
- (2) Assess regional and local emergency medical services and equipment needs; § 335.01(C)
- (3) Analyze and evaluate reports, studies, statistics, and other data provided by the North Carolina Office of Emergency Medical Services (OEMS) and other sources relevant to emergency medical services in the geographical area and surrounding areas; § 335.01(C)
- (4) Establish priorities for local and regional financial assistance from private, local, state, and federal sources, where such assistance is related to planning, development, implementation, or improvement of emergency medical services; § 335.01(C)
- (5) When requested by authorized representatives of OEMS, intervene and conciliate in local EMS enforcement problems; § 335.01(C)
- (6) Provide effective and ongoing communication between and within local, regional, and state programs for improvement of emergency medical services; § 335.01(C)
- (7) Where appropriate, serve as an applicant and/or funding channel for financial resources devoted to local and regional improvement of EMS equipment and facilities; § 335.01(C)
- (8) Review and comment on local and regional applications for emergency medical services grants or contracts, and on proposals for initiating or expanding EMS programs or projects; and § 335.01(C)
- (9) Work toward development of a regional emergency medical services plan for the geographic area. § 335.01(C)  
(‘77 Code, § 2-74) (Res. passed 7-16-74; Ord. passed 11-7-83)

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**CHAPTER 336: MUTUAL AID; EMERGENCY VEHICLES**

**Section**

336:01 Mutual aid between counties on emergency vehicles

**§ 336.01 MUTUAL AID BETWEEN COUNTIES ON EMERGENCY VEHICLES.**

- (A) The Board of Commissioners authorizes mutual aid to surrounding counties in the use of the county gas pump for emergency vehicles coming through the county when gas stations are closed.
- (B) The county shall be reimbursed for its services.  
(’77 Code, § 2-75) (Mo. passed 12-3-73)

**Cross-reference**

Operations Standards for Drivers of Vehicles used for County Business, see Ch. 275

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**CHAPTER 337: VOLUNTEER RESCUE SQUADS**

Section:

- 337:01 General provisions
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- 337:07 Sherrills Ford Rescue Squad

**§ 337.01 GENERAL PROVISIONS.**

There are six volunteer rescue squads within the county. The rescue squads within the county shall be considered backup to the county emergency medical services (EMS). They shall be dispatched when all county units are on calls or when the response time for a county unit may be too long for the best interest of the sick and injured. Rescue squads shall be dispatched to assist with wrecks where there are persons trapped. (Note: An EMS response policy was adopted by the Board of Commissioners on February 6, 1978, and individual contracts entered into with the five rescue squads which were executed on December 16, 1980, retroactive to July 1, 1980, and updated on September 7, 1987. A sixth contract was signed with Sherrills Ford Rescue Squad on Sept. 8, 1987.) ('77 Code, § 6<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-31) (Ord. passed 10-21-80; Am. Ord. passed 12-16-80; Am. Ord. passed 10-3-88)

**§ 337.02 NEWTON-CONOVER RESCUE SQUAD.**

The area of the county within the Newton-Conover Rescue District is described as follows:

Beginning at a point 200 feet west of Highway 16 and 200 feet north of its intersection with St. John's Church Road (S.R. 1712); thence running parallel to and 200 feet north of St. John's Church Road (S.R. 1712) to a point 200 feet east of Hall Dairy Road (S.R. 1709); thence southwesterly parallel to and 200 feet east of Hall Dairy Road (S.R. 1709) to a point 200 feet northeast of N. McLin Road (S.R. 1714); thence southeasterly parallel to and 200 feet east of N. McLin Road (S.R. 1714) to a point in the center line of Highway 64-70; thence southwesterly 200 feet off the southeast side of McLin Creek Road (S.R. 1771) to a point 200 feet northeast of Emmanuel Church Road (S.R. 1732); thence southeasterly parallel to and 200 feet northeast of Emmanuel Church Road (S.R. 1732) to a point 200 feet north of Highway 10; thence easterly parallel to and 200 feet north Highway 10 to a point 200 feet east of Bethany Church Road (S.R. 1722) and 200 feet north of Highway 10; thence in a southwesterly direction 200 feet off the east side of Claremont Road (S.R. 1801) for a distance of approximately 1 mile to a point 200 feet north of Heil Yount Road (S.R. 1806); thence in a southeasterly direction 200 feet north of Heil Yount Road (S.R. 1806) for a distance of approximately 1.7 miles to a point 200 feet north of Mt. Olive Church Road (S.R. 1802); thence in a southeasterly direction 200 feet north of Mt. Olive Church Road (S.R. 1802) for a distance of approximately 1.2 miles to a point 200 feet west of Balls Creek Road (S.R. 1810); thence in a

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southwesterly direction 200 feet west of Balls Creek Road (S.R. 1810) for a distance of approximately 1.5 miles to a point 200 feet south of Highway 16; thence northwesterly parallel to and 200 feet south of Highway 16 to a point 200 feet east of Smyre Farm Road (S.R. 1884); thence southwesterly parallel to and 200 feet south of Smyre Farm Road (S.R. 1884) to a point 200 feet east of Highway 321; thence southerly parallel to and 200 feet east of Highway 321 to a point 200 feet east of Highway 321 and south of its intersection with Cedar Grove Church Road (S.R. 2012); thence in a northwesterly direction 200 feet south of McKay Road (S.R. 2014) for a distance of approximately 1.5 miles to a point 200 feet east of Sigmon Dairy Road (S.R. 2013); thence in a southwesterly direction for a distance of approximately 1.2 miles to a point 200 feet west of Startown Road (S.R. 1005) and 200 feet south of Rocky Ford Road (S.R. 2019); thence in a westerly direction south of Rocky Ford Road (S.R. 2019) for a distance of 3.8 miles to a point 200 feet east of Hickory-Lincolnton Road (S.R. 1008); thence in a northwesterly direction 200 feet east of Hickory-Lincolnton Road (S.R. 1008) for a distance of approximately 1 mile to a point 200 feet north of Highway 10; thence in a northerly direction 200 feet east of Hickory-Lincolnton Road (S.R. 1008) to a point 200 feet north of Sandy Ford Road (S.R. 1143); thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet north of Sandy Ford Road (S.R. 1143) for a distance of approximately 1.6 miles to a point 200 feet east of Robinwood Road (S.R. 1148); thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet east of Robinwood Road (S.R. 1148) for a distance of approximately 2 miles to a point 200 feet northeast of Startown Road (S.R. 1005); thence in a northwesterly direction east of Startown Road (S.R. 1005) for a distance of approximately 0.8 mile to a point 200 feet south of U.S. Highway 321-64-70; thence in an easterly direction 200 feet south of U.S. Highway 321-64-70 to a point 200 feet east of Sweetwater Road (S.R. 1468); thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet off the east side of Sweetwater Road (S.R. 1468) to a point 200 feet south of Interstate 40; thence in an easterly direction 200 feet south of Interstate 40 to a point 200 feet west of Fairgrove Church Road (S.R. 1476); thence in a northerly direction 200 feet west of Fairgrove Church Road (S.R. 1476) for a distance of approximately 1.5 miles to a point on the north side of U.S. 70A (S.R. 1007); thence in a southeasterly direction 200 feet north of U.S. 70A (S.R. 1007) for a distance of 1.5 miles to a point 200 feet west of Herman Sipe Road (S.R. 1490); thence in a northerly direction 200 feet west of Herman Sipe Road (S.R. 1490) for a distance of approximately 2.5 miles to a point on the north side of County Home Road (S.R. 1484); thence southerly for a distance of approximately 1.2 miles to a point 200 feet west of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486); thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet west of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486) for a distance of 1.5 miles to a point 200 feet northwest of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486) and its intersection of C & B Farm Road (S.R. 1487); thence in a southeasterly direction 200 feet west of C & B Farm Road (S.R. 1487) for a distance of 1.6 miles to a point 200 feet south of C & B Farm Road (S.R. 1487) and 200 feet west of Highway 16; thence southwesterly parallel to and 200 feet west of Highway 16 to the point of beginning.  
(‘77 Code, § 6¾-32) (Ord. passed 10-21-80; Am. Ord. passed 9-8-87; Am. Ord. passed 10-3-88)

### **§ 337.03 HICKORY RESCUE SQUAD.**

The area of the county within Hickory Rescue District is described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center of the Catawba River, 200 feet west of Highway 16 North; thence in a southeasterly direction and following Highway 16 on the west side for a distance of approximately 4 miles to a point 200 feet on the north side of Swinging Bridge Road (S.R. 1515); thence in a westerly direction 200 feet north of Swinging Bridge Road (S.R. 1515) for a distance of approximately 0.7 mile to a point 200 feet north of Houston Mill Road (S.R. 1512); thence following Houston Mill Road (S.R. 1512), 200 feet north for a distance of approximately 1.4 miles to a point

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200 feet west of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486) and 200 feet north of Houston Mill Road (S.R. 1512); thence in a southwesterly direction, 200 feet west of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486) for a distance of approximately 2.5 miles to a point 200 feet north of County Home Road (S.R. 1484); thence in a northwesterly direction 200 feet north of County Home Road (S.R. 1484) for a distance of approximately 1.2 miles to a point 200 feet west of Herman Sipe Road (S.R. 1490); thence in a southerly direction 200 feet west of Herman Sipe Road (S.R. 1490) for a distance of approximately 2.5 miles, to a point 200 feet north of U.S. 70A (S.R. 1007); thence in a westerly direction 200 feet north of U.S. 70A (S.R. 1007) for a distance of approximately 1.5 miles to a point 200 feet west of Fairgrove Church Road (S.R. 1476); thence in a southerly direction 200 feet west of Fairgrove Church Road (S.R. 1476) for a distance of approximately 1.5 miles to a point 200 feet south of Interstate 40; thence in a westerly direction 200 feet south of Interstate 40 to a point 200 feet east of Sweetwater Road (S.R. 1468); thence in a southerly direction 200 feet east of Sweetwater Road (S.R. 1468) to a point 200 feet south of U.S. 321-64-70; thence in a westerly direction 200 feet south of U.S. 321-64-70 to a point 200 feet east of the Startown Road (S.R. 1005); thence in a south easterly direction 200 feet east of Startown Road (S.R. 1005) for a distance of approximately 0.8 mile to a point 200 feet south of Robinwood Road; thence in a southerly direction 200 feet east of Robinwood Road (S.R. 1148) for a distance of approximately 2 miles to a point 200 feet north of Sandy Ford Road (S.R. 1143) for a distance of approximately 1.6 miles to a point 200 feet east of Hickory-Lincolnton Road (S.R. 1008); thence in a southerly direction 200 feet east of Hickory-Lincolnton Road (S.R. 1008) and following the Hickory-Lincolnton Road (S.R. 1008) to a point in the Catawba County line; thence in a westerly direction following the Catawba County line, to a point at the most southwesterly corner of Catawba County; thence in a northeasterly direction following the Catawba County line for a distance of approximately 15.8 miles to a point in the center of the Catawba River and U.S. 321; thence in a northeasterly direction following the center of the Catawba River for approximately 13 miles to the point of beginning.  
(‘77 Code, § 6¾-33) (Ord. passed 10-21-80; Am. Ord. passed 9-8-87; Am. Ord. passed 10-3-88)

### **§ 337.04 CATAWBA RESCUE SQUAD.**

The area of the county within the Catawba Rescue District is described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center of the Catawba River 200 feet north of Interstate 40; thence in a westerly direction 200 feet north of Interstate 40 to a point 200 feet west of the Oxford School Road (S.R. 1717); thence southerly to a point in the center of Interstate 40; thence in a westerly direction for a distance of approximately 1.8 miles to a point in the center of Interstate 40; thence in a southwesterly direction crossing U.S. Highway 64-70, Southern Railway and Old Catawba Road (S.R. 1722) for a distance of approximately 3.3 miles to a point 200 feet north of Highway 10 and 200 feet west of Naomi Drive; thence in a westerly direction 200 feet north of Highway 10 to a point 200 feet east of Bethany Church Road (S.R. 1722); thence in a southwesterly direction 200 feet southeast of Claremont Road (S.R. 1801) to a point 200 feet northeast of Heil Yount Road (S.R. 1806) to a point 200 feet north of Mt. Olive Church Road (S.R. 1802) to a point 200 feet north of Balls Creek Road (S.R. 1810); thence in a southwesterly direction 200 feet north of Balls Creek Road (S.R. 1810) to a point 200 feet northwest of Little Mountain Road (S.R. 1815); thence in a southeasterly direction 200 feet northeast of Little Mountain Road, crossing Caldwell Road and Buffalo Shoals Road to a point 200 feet north of Joe Johnson Road (S.R. 1817); thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet north of Joe Johnson Road (S.R. 1817) crossing Mathis Chapel Road (S.R. 1818) to a point in N. Fork Creek; thence in a northeasterly direction to a point west of the end of Carlee Drive; thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet west of Carlee Drive to a point 200 feet

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northeast of Hopewell Church Road (S.R. 1834); thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet east of Hopewell Church Road (S.R. 1834) to a point 200 feet northeast of Sherrills Ford Road (S.R. 1848); thence in a northeasterly direction to a point being Terrapin Creek Bridge on Molly's Backbone Road (S.R. 1835); thence northeasterly following the center of the cove of the Catawba River being the Catawba-Iredell County line; thence in a northwesterly direction following the Catawba-Iredell County line to the point of beginning.

('77 Code, § 6¾-34) (Ord. passed 10-21-80; Am. Ord. passed 9-8-87; Am. Ord. passed 10-3-88)

### **§ 337.05 CLAREMONT RESCUE SQUAD.**

The area of the county within the Claremont Rescue District is described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the center of the Catawba River, 200 feet west of Highway 16 North; thence in a southeasterly direction following the Catawba County line in the center of the Catawba River for approximately 10 miles to a point 200 feet north of the Interstate 40 bridge; thence in a westerly direction 200 feet north of Interstate 40 to a point 200 feet west of Oxford School Road (S.R. 1717); thence southerly to a point in the center of Interstate 40; thence in a westerly direction for a distance of approximately 1.8 miles to a point in the center of Interstate 40; thence in a southeasterly direction crossing U.S Highway 64-70, Southern Railroad and Old Catawba Road (S.R. 1722) for a distance of approximately 3.3 miles to a point 200 feet north of Highway 10 and 200 feet west of Naomi Drive; thence in a southwesterly direction 200 feet north of Highway 10 for a distance of approximately 3 miles to a point 200 feet east of Emmanuel Church Road (S.R. 1732); thence northwesterly parallel to and 200 feet east of Emmanuel Church Road (S.R. 1732) to a point 200 feet south of McLin Creek Road (S.R. 1771); thence northwesterly 200 feet southeast of McLin Creek Road (S.R. 1771) to a point 200 feet east of Highway 64-70; thence northerly parallel to and 200 feet east of N. McLin Creek Road (S.R. 1714) to a point 200 feet east of Rock Barn Road (S.R. 1709) thence northeasterly parallel to and 200 feet east of Rock Barn Road (S.R. 1709) to a point 200 feet east of Rock Barn Road (S.R. 1709) and 200 feet northeast of its intersection with St. John's Church Road (S.R. 1712); thence westerly parallel to and 200 feet north of St. John's Church Road (S.R. 1712) to a point 200 feet west of Highway 16 and 200 feet north of St. John's Church Road (S.R. 1712); thence in a northerly direction 200 feet west of Highway 16 and following Highway 16 to a point 200 feet west of C & B Farm Road (S.R. 1487); thence in a north westerly direction 200 feet west of C & B Farm Road (S.R. 1487) for a distance of 1.6 miles to a point 200 feet west of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486); thence in a northerly direction 200 feet west of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486) for a distance of approximately 1 mile to a point 200 feet north of Houston Mill Road (S.R. 1512) and 200 feet west of Lee Cline Road (S.R. 1486); thence in an easterly direction 200 feet north of Houston Mill Road (S.R. 1512) and Swinging Bridge Road (S.R. 1515) for a distance of approximately 2.1 miles to a point 200 feet west of Highway 16; thence in a northwesterly direction 200 feet west of Highway 16 and following Highway 16 for a distance of approximately 4 miles to the point of beginning.

('77 Code, § 6¾-35) (Ord. passed 10-21-80; Am. Ord. passed 9-8-87; Am. Ord. passed 10-3-88)

### **§ 337.06 MAIDEN RESCUE SQUAD.**

The area of the county within the Maiden Rescue District is described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the Catawba-Lincoln County line 200 feet east of the Hickory-Lincolnton Highway (S.R. 1008); thence northerly to a point 200 feet south of Rocky Ford Road (S.R. 2019);

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thence 200 feet south of and following Rocky Ford Road to a point in the Startown Road 200 feet south of its intersection with Rocky Ford Road (S.R. 2019); thence easterly to a point 200 feet east of Sigmon Dairy Road (S.R. 2013) and 200 feet south of McKay Road (S.R. 2014); thence in a southeasterly direction to a point 200 feet east of Highway 321; thence in a northerly direction to a point 200 feet south of Smyre Farm Road (S.R. 1884); thence in an easterly direction to a point 200 feet south of N.C. 16; thence in a southeasterly direction to a point 200 feet northwest of Providence Mill Road (S.R. 1816); thence in a northeasterly direction 200 feet northeast of Balls Creek Road (S.R. 1810) to a point 200 feet north of Balls Creek Road (S.R. 1810) and 200 feet northeast of Little Mountain Road (S.R. 1815); thence southeasterly to a point approximately 0.4 mile southeast of Buffalo Shoals Road (S.R. 1003); thence southwesterly to a point 200 feet south of N.C. 16 and 200 feet north of Hemlock Street; thence southeasterly to a Point 200 feet south of N.C. 16 and 200 feet northwest of Anderson Mountain Road (S.R. 1857); thence southwesterly to a point 200 feet west of Anderson Mountain Road (S.R. 1857) at the Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence west following the Catawba-Lincoln County line to the point of beginning.

('77 Code, § 6¾-36) (Ord. passed 10-21-80; Am. Ord. passed 9-8-87; Am. Ord. passed 10-3-88)

### **§ 337.07 SHERRILLS FORD RESCUE SQUAD.**

The area of the county within the Sherrills Ford Rescue District is described as follows:

Beginning at a point in the Catawba- Lincoln County line 200 feet west of Anderson Mountain Road (S.R. 1857); thence northerly 200 feet west of Anderson Mountain Road (S.R. 1857) to a point 200 feet southwest of N.C. 16; thence northwesterly 200 feet south of N.C. 16 to a point 200 feet northwest of Hemlock Street; thence northeasterly to a point 200 feet north of Little Mountain Road (S.R. 1815) and approximately 0.4 mile east of Buffalo Shoals Road (S.R. 1003); thence easterly to a point 200 feet northwest of Joe Johnson Road (S.R. 1817); thence northeasterly 200 feet north of Joe Johnson Road (S.R. 1817) to a point at the North Fork Bridge on Joe Johnson Road (S.R. 1817); thence northeasterly to a point 200 feet west of the end of Carlee Drive (S.R. 1834); thence northeasterly to a point 200 feet east of Hopewell Church Road (S.R. 1850); thence northerly to a point 200 feet north of Sherrills Ford Road (S.R. 1848); thence easterly to a point at Terrapin Creek Bridge on Molly's Backbone Road (S.R. 1835); thence easterly following the center of the cove to the Catawba-Iredell County line being the center of the Catawba River; thence in a southeasterly by southwesterly direction following the center of the Catawba River to a point at the corner of Catawba-, Iredell- and Lincoln County lines in Lake Norman; thence westerly following the Catawba-Lincoln County line to the point of beginning.

('77 Code, § 6¾-36.1) (Ord. of 9-8-87; Ord. of 10-3-88)

**CHAPTER 338: FIRST RESPONDER PROGRAM**

**Section**

**§ 338.01 First Responder Program**

**§338.01 FIRST RESPONDER PROGRAM**

- (A) First Responder defined. An organization with personnel trained in emergency medical care that is dispatched to the scene of a medical emergency for the primary purpose of providing emergency medical assistance to a patient until the ambulance and additional medical aid arrives.
- (B) Purpose. The purpose of the first responder units is to ensure that a person trained in basic life support will be at the scene of any emergency and render aid to victims in a matter of a few minutes until an Emergency Medical Services (EMS) unit can arrive.
- (C) Procedures for Dispatching First Response Personnel to the Scene of Life-Threatening Emergency Situations.
  - (1) Catawba County Emergency Medical Services will be the primary EMS provider under policies adopted February 3, 1978, by the Board of Commissioners.
  - (2) The six rescue squads (Hickory, Newton-Conover, Claremont, Catawba, Maiden, and Sherrills Ford) will be the primary backup to the Catawba County EMS for the transportation of the sick and injured.
  - (3) First response personnel will be utilized in the event a life-threatening situation is believed to exist.
- (D) First Responder Unit Regulations.
  - (1) The first responder unit must be a special unit of a rescue squad and must have the squad's approval to operate.
  - (2) No personnel, other than those certified as first responders, will answer any emergency medical calls or first responder alerts.
  - (3) The number of first responders trained shall be set by the squad officers.
  - (4) Not more than five first responders should be on a call at any one time.
  - (5) The first responder units and its members shall be monitored by the Director of Emergency Services, and any complaints on or dismissal from the unit will be handled through the rescue squad chief.



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- (6) Any first responder unit not following the above rules will be subject to being dissolved as a first responder unit.

### (E) First Responder Regulations. § 338.01

- (1) First responders will not respond to any calls unless they have been dispatched.
- (2) First responders will notify the EMS dispatch center on all calls they may receive at home or elsewhere.
- (3) First responders shall be certified as Emergency Medical Technicians.
- (4) First responders will be required to have identification as required by the county and/or rescue squad.
- (5) First responders must have identification displayed on all calls.
- (6) Any first responder not following the rules and regulations for the first responder program shall be subject to dismissal.
- (7) All personnel responding in personal vehicles shall respond in accordance with normal driving procedures, observing all traffic laws and speed limits, with due respect for other motorists.
- (8) First response personnel shall maintain a record (Rescue Response Report) of each response, including conditions found, treatment rendered and person or agency to whom responsibility for treatment was relinquished. This information shall be forwarded to the Emergency Services Director on a monthly basis.  
(‘77 Code, § 634-37) (Mo. passed 4-7-86; Am. Mo. passed 9-8-87)

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### CHAPTER 339: AMBULANCE FRANCHISES

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#### § 339.01 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this subchapter, the following definitions shall apply unless the context clearly indicates or requires a different meaning.

**AMBULANCE.** Any privately or publicly-owned motor vehicle, aircraft, or vessel that is specially designed, constructed, or modified and equipped and is intended to be used for and is maintained or operated for the transportation on the streets or highways, waterways or airways of this state of persons who are sick, injured, wounded, or otherwise incapacitated or helpless.

**MEDICAL RESPONDER.** An individual who has completed a training program in emergency medical care and first aid approved by the North Carolina Department of Human Resources and has been certified as a medical responder by the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Office of Emergency Medical Services . (9-17-97, a provision of Senate Bill 352 [1997 General Assembly] changed the certification title “Ambulance Attendant” to “Medical Responder.” )

**AMBULANCE PROVIDER.** An individual, firm, corporation or association which engages or professes to engage in the business or service of transporting patients in an ambulance.

**APPROVED.** Approved by the North Carolina Medical Care Commission pursuant to the applicable rules and regulations promulgated under G.S. § 143B-165.

**COMMUNICATIONS CENTER.** The Catawba County Communications Center which provides a system that coordinates the many interdependent agencies and facilities involved in emergency response care.

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**COUNTY.** The County of Catawba Board of Commissioners or their designated representative.

**DISPATCHER.** A person who is available at all times to receive requests for emergency services, to dispatch emergency services, and to advise local law enforcement agencies and emergency medical facilities of any existing or threatened emergency.

**EMERGENCY and EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION SERVICE.** The use of an ambulance, its equipment and personnel to provide medical care and transportation of a patient who is in need of immediate medical treatment in order to prevent loss of life or further aggravation or physiological or psychological illness or injury.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT).** An individual who has completed a training program in emergency medical care at least equal to the National Standard Training Program for Emergency Medical technicians as defined by the United States Department of Transportation and has been certified as an emergency medical technician by the department.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-INTERMEDIATE.** An individual that performs emergency care on the basic level in addition to administering intravenous medication as designated by the State of North Carolina.

**EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN-PARAMEDIC.** A medical professional who administers emergency medical care on the advanced life support level as designated by the State of North Carolina.

**FIRST RESPONDER.** An organization with personnel trained in emergency medical care that is dispatched to the scene of a medical emergency for the primary purpose of providing emergency medical assistance to a patient until the ambulance and additional medical aid arrives.

**FRANCHISE.** A permit issued by the county to a person for the operation of an ambulance service.

**FRANCHISEE.** Any person having been issued a franchise by the county for the operation of an ambulance service.

**LICENSE.** Any driver's license or permit to operate a motor vehicle issued under or granted by the laws of the State of North Carolina.

**NON-EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION SERVICES.** The operation of an ambulance for any purpose other than transporting emergency patients.

**OPERATOR.** A person in actual physical control of an ambulance which is in motion or which has the engine running.

**OWNER.** Any person or entity who owns an ambulance.

**PATIENT.** An individual who is sick, injured, wounded, or otherwise incapacitated or helpless such that the need for some medical assistance might be anticipated while being transported to or from a medical facility.

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**PERSON.** Any individual, firm, partnership, association, corporation, company, group of individuals acting together for a common purpose, or organization of any kind, including any governmental agency other than the United States.

**RESCUE.** Situations where the victim cannot escape an area through the normal exit or under his own power.

**SECONDARY AMBULANCE PROVIDER.** The system of personnel and equipment meeting the same criteria as a primary ambulance provider, but not normally dispatched on first call response. ('77 Code, § 6¾-51) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### § 339.02 ENFORCEMENT

The Catawba County Department of Emergency Medical Services shall be the enforcing agency for the regulations contained in this subchapter. Such office will:

- (A) Receive all franchise proposals from potential providers. § 339.02
- (B) Study each proposal for conformance to this subchapter. § 339.02
- (C) Recommend to the County Manager and Board of Commissioners the award of the franchise(s) to the applicants submitting the best proposal(s). § 339.02
- (D) Inspect the premises, vehicles, equipment, and personnel of franchisees to assure compliance to this subchapter and perform any other inspections that may be required. § 339.02
- (E) Recommend to the county manager and Board of Commissioners the temporary or permanent suspension of a franchise in the event of noncompliance with the franchise terms of this subchapter. Recommend the imposition of misdemeanor or civil penalties as provided therein. § 339.02
- (F) Ensure by cooperative agreement with other ambulance services the continued service in a district where an ambulance service franchise has been suspended. § 339.02
- (G) Receive monthly reports from ambulance services and consolidate the same into a quarterly summary for review by the county. § 339.02
- (H) Receive complaints from the public, other enforcing agencies, and ambulance services regarding franchise infractions. Review the complaint with the County Manager. Obtain corrective action with the approval of the County Manager. § 339.02
- (I) With the approval of the County Manager, recommend improvements to the county which will ensure better medical transportation. § 339.02
- (J) Maintain all records required by this subchapter and other applicable county regulations. § 339.02
- (K) Perform such of the above functions as may be requested by any municipality within the county. § 339.02

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('77 Code, § 6¾-52 (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### **§ 339.03 INSPECTION OF BOOKS, RECORDS AND THE LIKE**

The county may inspect a franchisee's records, premises, and equipment at any time in order to ensure compliance with this subchapter and any franchise granted hereunder.

('77 Code, § 6¾-53) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### **§ 339.04 ADDENDA.**

The Board of Commissioners may, through appropriate actions, amend or expand this subchapter to include other emergency departments or agencies as deemed necessary.

('77 Code, § 6¾-55) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### **§ 339.05 FRANCHISE REQUIRED.**

- (A) No person either as owner, agent or otherwise, shall furnish, operate, conduct, maintain, advertise, or otherwise be engaged in or profess to be engaged in the business or service of emergency and/or non-emergency transportation of patients within the county unless the person holds a valid permit for each ambulance used in such business or service issued by the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Office of Emergency Medical Services, and has been granted a franchise for the operation of such business or service by the county pursuant to this subchapter. § 339.05
- (B) No person shall drive an ambulance, attend a patient in one, or permit one to be operated when transporting a patient within the county unless he or she holds a currently valid certificate as a medical responder, emergency medical technician, EMT- Intermediate or EMT-Paramedic issued by the North Carolina Department of Human Resources, Office of Emergency Medical Services. (9-17-97, a provision of Senate Bill 352 [1997 General Assembly] changed the certification title "Ambulance Attendant" to "Medical Responder".) § 339.05
- (C) No franchise shall be required for:
  - (1) Any entity rendering assistance to a franchised ambulance service in the case of a major catastrophe, mutual aid or emergency with which the services franchised by the county are insufficient or unable to cope; § 339.05(C)
  - (2) Any entity operated from a location or headquarters outside of the county in order to transport patients who are picked up beyond the limits of the county to facilities located within the county for transporting to locations outside the county. § 339.05(C)
  - (3) Ambulances owned and operated by an agency of the United States government. ('77 Code, § 6¾-56) (Ord. passed 3-5-84) § 339.05(C)

### **§ 339.06 APPLICATION FOR AMBULANCE FRANCHISE.**

Application for a franchise to operate ambulances in the county shall be made by the ambulance provider upon such forms as may be prepared or prescribed by the county and shall contain:

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- (A) The name and address of the ambulance provider and of the owner of the ambulance. § 339.06
- (B) The trade or other fictitious names, if any, under which the applicant does business, along with a certified copy of an assumed name certificate stating such name or articles of incorporation stating such name. § 339.06
- (C) A resume of the training and experience of the applicant in the transportation and care of patients. § 339.06
- (D) A full description of the type and level of service to be provided including the location of the place or places from which it is intended to operate, the manner in which the public will be able to obtain assistance and how the vehicles will be dispatched. An audited financial statement of the applicant as the same pertains to the operations in the county, the financial statement to be in such form and in such detail as may be required by the county. § 339.06
- (E) A description of the applicant's capability to provide 24-hour coverage, seven days per week for the district covered by the franchise applied for, and an accurate estimate of the minimum and maximum response times to calls within such district. § 339.06
- (F) Any information the county shall deem reasonably necessary for a fair determination of the capability of the applicant to provide ambulance services in the county in accordance with the requirement of state laws and the provisions of this regulation. § 339.06  
(('77 Code, § 6<sup>3</sup>4-57) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### § 339.07 GRANTING OF FRANCHISE.

- (A) Prior to accepting applications for the operation of an ambulance service, the Board of Commissioners may designate specific service areas as franchise districts. The districts will be established using criteria that includes geographic size, road access, the location of existing medical transportation services, population, and response time. The county shall have the authority to redistrict or rearrange existing districts at any time at its discretion. § 339.07
- (B) An applicant may apply for a franchise to operate either emergency transportation service or non-emergency transportation service or both. If both types of service are to be provided, separate applications must be filed for each type. § 339.06
- (C) Upon receipt of an application for a franchise, the county shall schedule a time and place for hearing the applicant. Within 30 days after hearing, the county shall cause such investigation as it may deem necessary to be made of the applicant and his proposed operations. § 339.06
- (D) A franchise may be granted if the county finds that: § 339.06
  - (1) The applicant shows a reasonable effort to meet state standards and standards outlined in the franchise ordinance. § 339.06(D)
  - (2) The proposed service will fit within the existing service so as not to adversely affect the level of service or operations of other franchisees to render service. § 339.06(D)

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- (3) A need exists for the proposed service to improve the level of ambulance services available to residents of the county and that this is a reasonable and cost effective manner of meeting the need. § 339.06(D)  
(‘77 Code, § 6¾-58) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### **§ 339.08 TERM OF FRANCHISE; COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE RULES AND THE LIKE.**

- (A) The county may issue a franchise hereunder to an ambulance provider, to be valid for a term to be determined by the county, provided that either party as its option, may terminate the franchise upon 60 days' prior written notice to the other party. After a notice of service termination is given, the ambulance provider may reapply for a franchise if continued service is desired. § 339.08
- (B) Upon suspension, revocation, or termination of a franchise granted hereunder, such franchised ambulance service immediately shall cease operations. Upon suspension, revocation, or termination of a driver's license or attendant's certificate or emergency medical technician certificate, such persons shall cease to drive an ambulance or provide medical care in conjunction with an ambulance service, or attend an ambulance. The franchisee shall not permit such an individual to drive an ambulance or provide medical care in conjunction with the ambulance service. § 339.08
- (C) Each franchised ambulance service shall comply at all times with the requirements of this subchapter, the franchise granted hereunder, and all applicable state and local laws relating to health, sanitation, safety, equipment, and ambulance design and all other laws and ordinances. § 339.08
- (D) Prior approval of the county shall be required where ownership or control of more than 10% of the right of control of franchisee is acquired by a person or group of persons acting in concert, none of whom own or control 10% or more of such right of control, singularly or collectively, at the date of the franchise. By its acceptance of the franchise, the franchisee specifically agrees that any such acquisition occurring without prior approval of the county shall constitute a violation of the franchise by the franchisee and shall be cause for termination at the option of the county. § 339.08
- (E) Any change of ownership of a franchised ambulance service without the approval of the county shall terminate the franchise and shall require a new application and a new franchise and conformance with all the requirements of this subchapter as upon original franchising. § 339.08
- (F) No franchise may be sold, assigned, mortgaged, or otherwise transferred without the approval of the county; and a finding of conformance with all requirements of this subchapter as upon original franchising. Each franchised ambulance service, its equipment and the premises designated in the application and all records relating to its maintenance and operation, as such, shall be open to inspection by the state, the county, or their designated representatives. § 339.08
- (G) A franchise may not be defaced, removed, or obliterated. § 339.08  
(‘77 Code, § 6¾-56) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

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### **§ 339.09 STANDARDS FOR DRIVERS AND ATTENDANTS**

Standards for drivers and attendants as developed by the North Carolina Medical Care Commission as requirements for certification of medical responders and emergency medical technicians pursuant to G.S. §§ 143-507 through 143-520, and shall be applied and the same are incorporated herein by reference. ('77 Code, § 6¾-60) (Ord. passed 3-5-84) (9-17-97, a provision of Senate Bill 352 [1997 General Assembly] changed the certification title "Ambulance Attendant" to "Medical Responder." )

### **§ 339.10 STANDARDS FOR VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT.**

Vehicle and equipment standards as developed by the North Carolina Medical Care Commission pursuant to G.S. §§ 143-507 through 143-520, and shall be applied and the same are incorporated herein by reference. ('77 Code, § 6¾-61) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### **§ 339.11 STANDARDS FOR COMMUNICATIONS.**

- (A) Each ambulance vehicle shall be equipped with an operational two-way radio capable of establishing good quality voice communications from within the geographic confines of the county to each hospital emergency department in the county, and to the Communications Center of the Sheriff's Department. Further, each ambulance vehicle's two-way communications capabilities must be compatible with all hospitals' emergency departments to which transportation of patients is made on a regular or routine basis anywhere within the state. § 339.11
- (B) Each ambulance provider shall maintain current authorizations or Federal Communication Commission (FCC) licenses for all frequencies and radio transmitters operated by that provider. Copies of all authorizations and licenses shall be on display and available for inspection per Federal Communication Commission's Rules and Regulations. § 339.11
- (C) Each base of operations must have at least one open telephone line. Telephone numbers must be registered with each law enforcement agency and communications center in the county. § 339.11
- (D) Each ambulance shall be dispatched from the county Communications Center of the Sheriff's Department. § 339.11  
( '77 Code, § 6¾-62) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### **§ 339.12 INSURANCE.**

No ambulance franchise shall be issued under this subchapter nor shall such franchise be valid after issuance, nor shall any ambulance be operated in the County of Catawba unless the franchise has at all times in force and effect insurance coverage, issued by an insurance company licensed to do business in the state, for each and every ambulance owned and or operated by or for the ambulance service providing for the payment of damages:

- (A) In the sum of \$500,000 for injury to or death of individuals in accidents resulting from any cause for which the owner of the vehicle would be liable on account of liability imposed on him by law, regardless of whether the ambulance was being driven by the owner or his agency; and § 339.12



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- (B) In the sum of \$50,000 for the loss of or damage to the property of another, including personal property, under like circumstances, in sums as may be required by the state or as approved by the county.

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('77 Code, § 6¾-63) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### § 339.13 RECORDS

Each franchisee shall maintain the following records:

- (A) Record of dispatch. Shall show time call was received, time ambulance dispatched, time arrived on scene, time arrived at destination, time in service, and time returned to base. § 339.13
- (B) Trip record. Shall state all information required in division (A) above in addition to information on a form approved by the county. The trip record shall be so designed as to provide the patient with a copy thereof containing all required information. A copy of the trip record may serve as a receipt for any charges paid. § 339.13
- (C) Daily report log. Shall be maintained for the purpose of identifying more than one person transported in any one day. § 339.13
- (D) Daily driver and attendant checklist and inspection report. Shall list contents and description of operations for each vehicle, signed by the individual verifying vehicle operations and equipment.

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('77 Code, § 6¾-64) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### § 339.14 RATES AND CHARGES.

- (A) Each franchisee shall submit a schedule of rates to the county for approval and shall not charge more or less than the approved rates without specific approval by the county. § 339.14
- (B) No ambulance service shall attempt to collect rates on emergency calls until the patient has reached the point of destination, has received medical attention and is in a condition deemed by the physician fit to consult with the ambulance service, but such service may attempt to collect rates with family or guardian of the patient once the patient is in the process of receiving medical attention. § 339.14
- (C) On non-emergency calls, or calls where a person requires transportation to a non-emergency facility, attempts to collect payment can be made before the ambulance begins its trip. § 339.14

('77 Code, § 6¾-65) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

### § 339.15 VIOLATIONS

It shall be unlawful for any person to provide ambulance services or to operate ambulances within the territorial limits of the County without having been granted a franchise by the Board of Commissioners to do so. Further, that this subchapter shall not apply to ambulances based outside of the county, except any such ambulance may not receive a patient within this county for transportation to a location within this county without a franchise to operate within the county.

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('77 Code, § 6¾-54 (part)) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

**TITLE 33: PENALTY.**

- (A) Any person, firm or corporation who violates any provision of Chapter 330, *Catawba County Emergency Management Agency*, § 330.09, *Violations*, shall be subject to the penalty provisions set forth in § 10.99.
- (B) Except as provided in Chapter 332, State of Emergency, §332.06, *Possession, transportation, and transfer of dangerous weapons and substances*, any person violating any prohibition or restriction imposed by a proclamation authorized by Chapter 332 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable upon conviction by a fine not exceeding \$50 or imprisonment not exceeding 30 days, as provided by G.S. 14-4 [i.e., § 10.99]. (Ord. passed 8-2-93)
- (C) A violation of any provision of this Title for which a specific penalty has not been provided, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and punished as provided in § 10.99.  
(‘77 Code, § 6¾-54 (part)) (Ord. passed 3-5-84)

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**TITLE 34: FIRE, ANIMAL CONTROL**

- 340: Fire Prevention Code**
- 341: Fire Marshal**
- 342: Fire Districts**
- 343: Animals (Domestic)**
- 344: Keeping of Swine**
- 345: Inherently Dangerous Exotic Animals**

**TITLE 34: Penalty**

**Statutory reference:**

Authority, see G.S. §§ 14-288.1 through 14-288.20, Ch. 166A, and Ch. 153A

Authority to levy taxes to provide fire protection services and fire prevention programs, see G.S. §153A-149(c)(11)

Authority to levy taxes to support animal protection and control programs, see G.S. § 153A-149(c)(6)

County fire protection generally, see G.S. §§ 153A-233 et seq.

**Cross-reference:**

Catawba Memorial Hospital, see Ch. 90

Mental health services, see Ch. 130

Mobile homes, see Ch. 511

Subdivision Ordinance, see Ch. 514

Zoning Ordinance, see Ch. 515

**CHAPTER 340: FIRE PREVENTION CODE**

**Section**

**§340.01 Fire Prevention Code**

**§340.01 FIRE PREVENTION CODE.**

- (A) There is adopted by the Board of Commissioners for the purpose of prescribing regulations governing conditions hazardous to life and property from fire or explosion that certain code known as Volume 5 of the Fire Prevention Code as adopted by the State of North Carolina on July 26, 1989, including such subsequent amendments as adopted pursuant to NC State Law. An official copy of the code shall be filed in the office of the Fire Marshal, and the same is hereby adopted and incorporated as if fully set out at length herein, and the provisions thereof shall be controlling in all areas of the county not governed by a city or town and as otherwise provided for through agreements with participating municipalities within the county. ('77 Code, § 8-16)(Am. Ord. passed 10-18-99).

*Note: The NC Fire Prevention Code Volume 5 is updated annually and is revised periodically as determined by the North Carolina Code Council.*

- (B) Definitions.

- (1) Whenever the word **A municipality** is used in the fire prevention code, it shall be held to mean the county.
- (2) Whenever the term **A corporation counsel** is used in the fire prevention code, it shall be held to mean the attorney for the county. ('77 Code, § 8-18) (Ord. passed 6-3-91, Am. Ord. passed 10-18-99).

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**CHAPTER 341: FIRE MARSHAL**

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**§ 341.01 ENFORCEMENT BY FIRE MARSHAL; APPOINTMENT AND DISMISSAL OF FIRE MARSHAL.**

- (A) The fire prevention code shall be enforced by the Fire Marshal's office, which is hereby established and which shall be operated under the supervision of the Director of Emergency Services.
- (B) The Fire Marshal shall be appointed and dismissed in accordance with the provisions of Title 27, of the Catawba County Code.  
(‘77 Code, § 8-17) (Ord. passed 6-3-91; Am. Ord. passed 10-18-99).

**§ 341.02 DUTIES OF THE FIRE MARSHAL.**

The Board of Commissioners shall set the duties of the Fire Marshal. The Fire Marshal’s duties include but are not limited to:

- (A) Keeping the County Manager and Board of Commissioners informed of the purpose and development of rural fire departments.
- (B) Acting as liaison between fire departments, the County Manager and the Board of Commissioners.
- (C) Aiding in the organization and development of new fire departments including providing assistance with records retention.
- (D) Acting as advisor to the County Manager and Board of Commissioners concerning the requirements of the North Carolina Department of Insurance and Insurance Service Office.
- (E) Providing assistance with training programs for fire departments, upon request.
- (F) Advising fire departments on the availability of surplus equipment of a special nature.
- (G) Making periodic inspections of all fire departments within the county to see that they conform to the minimum standards of the North Carolina Department of Insurance and the Insurance Service Office.
- (H) Making fire inspections in schools as required by NC GS. Chapter 115 and day care facilities as required by NC GS Chapter 110.

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- (I) Making inspections of public occupancies relative to fire protection and fire prevention codes that may be enforced.
- (J) Investigating, along with other fire and law enforcement officials, fires of a suspicious or unknown nature to determine their cause and origin.
- (K) Assisting fire departments in developing and delivering fire prevention and fire education programs through out the county.
- (L) Coordinating all fire departments in a mutual aid program within the county.
- (M) Administering the North Carolina Fire Prevention Code Volume 5 as adopted by the county and any other safety ordinances that may apply.
- (N) Determining the most appropriate fire department to be the primary responder when a property line lies within more than one fire district.  
( '77 Code, § 8-17.1) (Ord. passed 6-3-91; Am. Ord. passed 10-18-99).

### **§ 341.03 EMPLOYEES OF THE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.**

Other employees in the Fire Marshal's office shall be hired or dismissed by the Fire Marshal or the Director of Emergency Services in accordance with Title 27, of the Catawba County Code. (Revised 10-18-99).

### **§ 341.04 ANNUAL REPORT OF FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.**

A report of the Fire Marshal's office shall be made annually and submitted to the Director of Emergency Services, who in turn shall submit the same to the County Manager. The report shall contain all proceedings under this code, with such statistics as are necessary to provide relevant information. The Fire Marshal shall also recommend any amendments to the code, which, in his or her judgment, shall be desirable.  
( '77 Code, § 8-17.3) (Ord. passed 6-3-91; am. Ord. passed 10-18-99)

### **§ 341.05 APPEALS.**

Whenever the Fire Marshal shall disapprove an application or refuse to grant a permit applied for, or when his or her claim that the provisions of the code do not apply or that the true intent and meaning of the code have been misconstrued or wrongly interpreted, the applicant is permitted to appeal in writing from the decision of the Fire Marshal to the Director of Emergency Services within 30 days from the date of the decision appealed.

( '77 Code, § 8-20) (Ord. passed 6-3-91; Am. Ord. passed 10-18-99).

### **§ 341.06 SPECIAL FEES.**

The fee for inspections and permits shall be set forth by the Board of Commissioners in the county's schedule of fees, which is on file in the office of the Budget Manager.

( '77 Code, § 8-22) (Ord. passed 6-3-91; Am. Ord. passed 10-18-99).

### **§ 341.07 VIOLATIONS.**

Any person who violates or fails to comply with the provisions of the fire prevention code or who violates or fails to comply with any order made thereunder; or who builds in violation of any detailed statement of specifications or plans submitted and approved thereunder; or any certificate or permit issued thereunder; or

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who shall fail to comply with such an order as affirmed or modified by the Fire Marshal or by a court of a competent jurisdiction, within the time affixed herein, shall be subject to all penalties allowed by law. In addition to any civil penalties that may apply, violators are subject to criminal penalties pursuant to North Carolina General Statute 14-4(a) and any other criminal laws that may be applicable.

### **§ 341.08 PENALTY.**

- (A) The minimum penalty for a violation of this article shall be a civil penalty of \$50.00 (fifty dollars) and the maximum civil penalty shall be \$500.00 (five hundred dollars). Criminal sanctions shall be in accordance with North Carolina State Law. Each violation, as well as each day a violation exists, shall constitute separate and distinct offense.
- (B) If a person or business has not been cited within the previous twelve months, and the violations corrected within 72 hours, the fine(s) shall be waived. Citation and penalties shall be in writing, signed by the Fire Marshal, and shall be delivered in person to the offender either at his residence or his place of business or at the place where the violation occurred.
- (C) Type of Violations and related civil penalties
  - (1) Type 1 Violations: ( \$50.00 ). These violations generally increase the likelihood of a fire or injury. They include, but are not limited to:
    - (a) Failure to obtain proper permits for required uses as listed under permit fees.
    - (b) Failure to maintain properly operating exit or emergency lights.
    - (c) Failure to maintain a clear, unobstructed access to fire protection equipment.
    - (d) Failure to properly cover or close electrical junction boxes.
    - (e) Failure to limit or restrict use of electrical extension cords improperly used.
  - (2) Type 2 Violations: (\$100.00). These violations, represent a general threat to property. They include, but are not limited to:
    - (a) Failure to safely maintain proper storage of combustibles outside of business.
    - (b) Failure to maintain a clear, unobstructed access to electric panels.
    - (c) Failure to properly maintain automatic closing fire and smoke doors.
    - (d) Failure to properly maintain and inspect portable fire extinguishers.
    - (e) Failure to properly maintain unobstructed accesses to hydrants, risers and fire department connections.
  - (3) Type 3 Violations (\$250.00). These violations directly affect the safety of persons within an occupancy or the probability of heavy property loss if a fire occurs. They include, but are not limited to:
    - (a) Failure to maintain a clear, unobstructed access to and from exit doors, both inside and outside.
    - (b) Failure to install, test or properly maintain required smoke and fire alarm systems.
    - (c) Failure to install or properly maintain or test existing/ required automatic sprinkler systems and extinguishing systems.
    - (d) Failure to properly store or use flammable, combustible, or hazardous materials.
    - (e) Failure to limit number of persons in a place of assembly to the maximum posted number allowed.

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- (4) Type 4 Violations (\$500.00). These violations are where, despite prior notice, corrections have not been made and/or previous fines have not been paid.
- (D) The application of the above penalties shall not be held to prevent the enforcement of or removal of the prohibited conditions.
- ('77 Code, § 8-21(a)-(c)) (Ord. passed 6-3-91; Am. Ord. passed 10-7-91; 10-18-99)

### **CHAPTER 342: FIRE DISTRICTS**

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- 342.20 Viewmont No. 1 Central Fire Station, Inc.

#### **§ 342.01 GENERALLY**

In accordance with G.S. § 153A-233, Catawba County has entered into agreements with incorporated rural volunteer and municipal fire departments to provide rural fire protection. These departments serve the following 19 tax-supported districts; Bandys Fire District, Catawba Rural Fire District, Claremont Rural Fire District, Conover Rural Fire District, Cooksville Fire District, Denver Rural Fire District, Fairbrook Fire District, Icard/Mountain View Fire District, Icard/Long View Fire District, Long View Rural Fire District, Maiden Rural Fire District, Mountain View Fire District, Newton Rural Fire District, Oxford (Catfish Fire District), Propst Crossroads Fire District, St. Stephens Fire District, Sherrills Ford-Terrell Fire District, Startown Fire District, and Viewmont Fire District, and Hickory (a municipality). All descriptions are pursuant to the G.S. § 153A-233 for insurance grading purposes.

('77 Code, § 8-41) (Am. Ord. passed 4-15-96)

#### **§ 342.02 BANDYS CROSSROADS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, STATIONS 1 AND 2.**

- (A) The fire tax and Insurance boundary is described as follow:



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Beginning at Point (1) on SR 1003 (Buffalo Shoals Road) and the Catawba County-Lincoln County line. Thence northwesterly to Point (2) on SR 1003 (Buffalo Shoals Road) approximately .4 mile southwest of its intersection with SR 1855 (East Maiden Road); thence in an easterly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (3) on SR 1863 (Parker Road); .2 mile northwest of its intersection with SR 1862 (Henley Road); thence in a southeasterly direction following tax district boundary line to Point (4) on SR 1862 (Henley Road), .2 mile southwest of its intersection with SR 1863 (Parker Road); thence in a northerly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (5) on SR 1855 (East Maiden Road), .3 mile east of its intersection with SR 1862 (Henley Road); thence in a northwesterly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (6) at its intersection with SR 1864 (Wentz Road) and SR 1003 (Buffalo Shoals Road), and including Wentz Road; thence in a northerly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (7) on SR 1874 (Water Plant Road), at its intersection with and including SR 1866 (Davis Road); thence in a northeasterly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (8) which is .1 mile north of SR 1874 (Water Plant Road) and .1 mile south of SR 1858 (Olivers Cross Roads); thence in a northerly direction following the tax district line to Point (9) at the end of SR 1915 (Diddley Dadburn Road) and .1 mile west of SR 1858 (Olivers Crossroads); thence continuing in a westerly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (10) on SR 1810 (Providence Mill Road) at its intersection with SR 1915 (Diddley Dadburn Road) and SR 1810 (Providence Mill Road), including property on SR 1915 (Diddley Dadburn Road), thence in a westerly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (11) in the creek, at the end of SR 1938 (Pond Road), and excluding SR 1938 (Pond Road); thence in a northwesterly direction following fire tax boundary line to Point (12) on NC Highway 16, .1 mile north of its intersection with Woodstone Road; thence in a northwesterly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (13) at the creek bridge on SR 1802 (Mt. Olive Church Road); thence in a northerly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (14) SR 1806 (Yount Road), at the creek bridge; thence in a northwesterly direction following the tax boundary line to Point (15) in the creek, .1 mile north of SR 1807 (Love Road); thence in an easterly direction following the tax boundary line to Point (16) on SR 1808 (Ring Tail Road), .1 mile north of SR 1807 (Love Road); thence in a northeasterly direction following the tax district boundary and following along with .1 mile north of SR 1807 (Love Road) to Point (17) in center line on NC Highway 10 at its intersection with SR 1727 (Boggs Road), and SR 1810 (Balls Creek School Road), including property on SR 1809 (Love Road) to the preceding point; thence in an easterly direction following the tax district line and the center line of NC Highway 10 to Point (18) at its intersection and in the center line of NC Highway 10 and SR 1003 (Murrays Mill Road); thence in a southeasterly direction following the tax district line and center line of SR 1003 (Murrays Mill Road) to Point (19) on SR 1003 (Murrays Mill Road) at the bridge over Balls Creek; thence in an easterly direction following the tax district line to Point (19A) on Loftin Drive, .2 mile from SR 1003 (Murrays Mill Road); thence easterly following the tax district boundary to Point (19B) on Talmadge Street, .3 mile from Loftin Drive; thence easterly following the tax district line to Point (20) on SR 1822 (Lowrance Road), .1 mile north of its intersection with SR 1824 (Harwell Road); thence in a southeasterly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (21) on the Southern Railroad tracks at the end of SR 1824 (Harwell Road); thence southerly following the tax district boundary to Point (22) on Southern Railroad tracks, .1 mile north of SR 1833 (Long Island Road); thence easterly following the tax district boundary line to Point (22A) on SR 1831 (Bolton Road), .1 mile north of its intersection with SR 1833 (Long Island Road); thence northeasterly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (23) at the intersection of SR 1819 (Brown Chapel Road) and SR 1907 (Washington Lane) which is north of its intersection with SR 1833 (Long Island Road), and excluding all property on SR 1819 (Brown Chapel Road) and SR 1907 (Washington Lane); thence in a southerly direction following the tax district boundary to Point (24)

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on Southern Railroad tracks, .1 mile north of SR 1834 (Hopewell Church Road); thence in a southerly direction following the tax district boundary line to Point (25) on SR 1848 (Sherrills Ford Road), .1 mile northwest of its intersection with SR 1834 (Hopewell Church Road); thence southerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (26) on North Fork Creek, .1 mile east of SR 1817 (Joe Johnson Road); thence southerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (27) on SR 1815 (Little Mountain Road), .1 mile west of SR 1846 (Mt. Beulah Road); thence southerly following the tax district line to Point (28) on NC Highway 16 at its intersection with SR 1846 (Mt. Beulah Road), and excluding all property on SR 1846 (Mt. Beulah Road); thence in a southerly direction following the tax district line to Point (29) on SR 1855 (East Maiden Road), .5 mile east of its intersection of SR 1856 (Lebanon Road); thence in a southerly direction to Point (30) at its intersection with SR 1856 (Lebanon Road) and SR 1854 (Mt. View Church Road) and excluding SR 1854 (Mt. View Church Road); thence due south following the tax district line to Point (31) at its intersection with the Catawba County and Lincoln County line; thence westerly following the Catawba-Lincoln County line and the fire tax boundary to Point (1) the beginning.

(B) The above description is within five road miles from either Bandys Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department (two fire stations).

- (1) Points 1 through 11 join Maiden Rural Fire District.
  - (2) Points 12 through 15 join Newton Rural Fire District.
  - (3) Point 15 also joins Claremont Rural Fire District.
  - (4) Points 15 through 23 join Catawba Rural Fire District.
  - (5) Points 24 through 27 join Sherrills Ford Fire District.
  - (6) Points 28 through 31 join Denver Rural Fire District.
- (Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.03 CATAWBA RURAL (FORMERLY RIVERSIDE FIRE DISTRICT)**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on the Catawba River and Catawba-Iredell County line at the end of SR 1006 (Lookout Dam Road); thence southerly following the Catawba River and tax boundary line to Point (2) on I-40 bridge over Catawba River; thence southerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (3) on US 70 at the bridge over the Catawba River; thence southerly following the tax district boundary line and the Catawba River to Point (4) at bridge on SR 1004 (Hudson Chapel Road); thence southerly to Point (5) in Catawba River at the Catawba-Iredell County line; thence westerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (6) on SR 1832 (Bill Kale Road), .1 mile north on SR 1833 (Long Island Road); thence westerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (7) on SR 1819 (Browns Chapel Road) at its intersection with SR 1907 (Washington Lane); and including property on SR 1907 (Washington Lane); thence westerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (8) on SR 1831 (Bolton Road), .1 mile north of SR 1833 (Long Island Road); thence westerly and northerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (9) on the Southern Railway tracks at the end of SR 1824 (Harwell Road); thence westerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (10) on SR 1822 (Lowrance Road), .1 mile north of SR 1824 (Harwell Road); thence westerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (11) on Loftin Drive, .2 mile from SR 1003 (Murrays Mill Road); thence westerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (12) in the center line at Murrays Mill Bridge on SR 1003 (Murrays Mill Road); thence northwesterly following the tax district boundary line to Point (13) in center line of NC Highway 10 at its intersection with SR 1003

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(Murray's Mill Road); thence southwesterly following the tax district boundary line and the center line of NC Highway 10 to Point (14) at its intersection with NC 10 and SR 1727 (Boggs Road); thence southerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (15) on SR 1808 (Ringtail Road), .1 mile north of SR 1809 (Love Road); thence southwesterly following the tax district boundary line and along with and .1 mile north west of SR 1807-1809 (Love Road) to Point 16, .1 mile north of the creek bridge on SR 1807 (Love Road); this same point joins Newton, Claremont, and Bandys fire tax districts; thence northerly following Hagan Creek and the tax district boundary line to Point (17) on NC Highway 10 at the bridge over Hagan Creek; thence northeasterly following the Hagan Creek and the tax district boundary line to Point (18) at the bridge on SR 1727 (Boggs Road); thence northeasterly following Hagan Creek and the tax district boundary line to Point (19) at the Catawba Town limits near the bridge on SR 1722 (Old Catawba Road); thence northeasterly following the tax district line to Point (20) near the Catawba Town limits where Hagan Creek and Lyle Creek intersect; thence northwesterly following the tax district boundary line to Point (21) on US 70 at the bridge over Lyle Creek; thence northwesterly following the tax district boundary line to Point (22) on Interstate 40 at the bridge over Lyle Creek; thence northwesterly following the tax district boundary line and with Lyle Creek to Point (23) in Lyle Creek, .1 mile east of SR 1716 (Bunker Hill School Road Bridge); thence northeasterly following the tax district boundary line and along with .1 mile east of SR 1716 (Bunker Hill School Road) to Point (24) on SR 1006 (Oxford School Road), .1 mile east and north of SR 1716 (Bunker Hill School Road) and .1 mile north of SR 1717 (Oxford School Road); thence north following the tax district boundary line and staying .1 mile east of SR 1006 (Oxford School Road) to Point (25) .1 mile south of SR 1006 (Lookout Dam Road); thence east following the tax district boundary line and .1 mile south of SR 1006 (Lookout Dam Road) back to Point (1), the beginning.

- (B) Areas lying between points 5, 6, 7, 8, 8A, 8B, and 8C are in a non-rated area. Areas lying between points 15, 15A, and 16 are in a non-rated area. Excludes all property within the Catawba Town limits.

NOTE: This is a description pursuant to the G.S. § 153A-233 for insurance purposes. Points (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) join the Catawba - Iredell County line. Point (7) joins the Sherrills Ford Fire District. Points (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), and (16) join the Bandys Fire District. Point (16) also joins Claremont, Newton, and Bandys. Points (17), (18), (19), (20), (21), (22), and (23) join the Claremont Rural Fire District. Points (23), (24), (25), and then back to Point (1), join the Oxford Fire District.

### **§ 342.04 CLAREMONT RURAL (FORMERLY CLINES FIRE DISTRICT).**

- (A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) at bridge on SR 1709 (Rock Barn Road) over Lyle Creek; thence following southeasterly Lyle Creek to Point (2) on SR 1716 (Bunker Hill School Road) at the bridge over Lyle Creek; thence in a southeasterly direction following Lyle Creek to Point (3) on I-40 Interstate Highway at a bridge over Lyle Creek; thence in a southeasterly direction to Point (4) on US Highway 70 at a bridge over Lyle Creek; thence in a southeasterly direction following Lyle Creek to Point (5) where Lyle Creek intersects with Hagan Creek, near the Catawba city limits; thence southwesterly following Hagan Creek to Point (5-A) on SR 1722 (Old Catawba Road) at Catawba city limits near the bridge over Hagan Creek; thence in a southwesterly direction following Hagan Creek to Point (6) on SR 1727 (Boggs Road) at a bridge over Hagan Creek; thence in a southwesterly direction following Hagan Creek to Point (7) on NC Highway 10 at a bridge over Hagan Creek; thence in a

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southwesterly direction following Hagan Creek to Point (8) on Hagan Creek and .1 mile north of SR 1807 (Love Road); thence in a westerly direction to Point (9) at the intersection of SR 1722 (Bethany Church Road) and SR 1807 (Love Road); excluding property on 1807 (Love Road); thence in a northwesterly direction to Point (10) on NC Highway 10 at its intersection with SR 1732 (Emmanuel Church Road); thence in a northerly direction following and including property and streets connecting to Emmanuel Church Road to Point (11) on SR 1732 (Emmanuel Church Road) at the Conover city limit; thence in a northerly direction following the Conover city limits to Point (12) on SR 1731 (Keisler Dairy Road) at the Conover city limits; thence in a northerly and easterly direction following the Conover city limits and E.R. Carpenter Company Railroad Spur line to the center line of Southern Railroad to Point (13) on the Southern Railroad Line at Claremont city limits and US Highway 70 at the Conover city limits; thence following northerly the Conover city limits line to Point (14) on I-40 Interstate Highway (Exit 133) at the Conover city limits; thence following the tax district boundary line and Conover city limits to Point (15) on SR 1709 (Rock Barn Road), .1 mile north and east of its intersection with SR 1712 (St. Johns Church Road); thence northwesterly following the tax district boundary line and Conover city limits to Point (16) in Lyle Creek at the Conover NE Waste Treatment Plant, .2 mile east of NC Highway 16, and excluding property on SR 1712 (St. Johns Church Road); thence northerly following Lyle Creek back to Point (1) the beginning.

- (1) Points (1) and (2) join Oxford Fire.
- (2) District Points (3), (4), (5), (5A), (6), and (7) join Catawba Fire District.
- (3) Points (8), (9), (10), (11), and (12) join Newton Rural Fire District.
- (4) Points (13), (14), (15), and (16) join Conover Rural Fire District.
- (B) Excludes all property in the City of Conover, the City of Claremont and Town of Catawba.

NOTE: This description does not exceed five road miles from the Claremont Fire Department.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.05 CONOVER RURAL (FORMERLY ST. TIMOTHY FIRE DISTRICT).**

- (A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on the Southern Railway tracks and in the center of SR 1476 Fairgrove Church Road; thence in a southerly direction following the city limits of Conover to a Point (1A) on I-40 exit 128 at the east on ramps; thence in a southerly direction following the city limits of Conover to Point (2) on US 70 at the city limits of Conover, Hickory and Newton; thence in an easterly direction following US 70 and the Conover city limits to Point (3) on NC 16 at the city limits of Conover and Newton; thence continuing east following the city limits of Conover to Point (4) on SR 1734 (Travis Road) at the Conover city limits; thence continuing east following the Conover city limits to Point (5) on SR 1739 (Emmanuel Church Road) at the Conover city limits; thence continuing east following the Conover city limits to Point (6) on SR 1731 (Keisler Road) at the Conover city limits; thence continuing north and easterly following the Conover city limits to Point (7) on US 70 at Conover and Claremont city limits; thence westerly and northerly continuing following the Conover city limits to Point (8) on I-40 Exit 133 at the Conover city limits; thence northerly to Point (9) on SR 1709 (Rock Barn Road) .1 mile east of its intersection with SR 1712 (St. Johns Road); thence northwesterly following along with and .1 mile north of SR 1712 (St. Johns Road) to Point (10) on Lyle Creek at the Conover City Water Treatment Plant; thence northerly to Point (11) in Lyle Creek .1 mile south of NC Highway 16; thence northwesterly to Point

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(12) .1 mile north of SR 1487 (C&B Farm Road); thence northwesterly following .1 mile north of SR 1487 (C&B Farm Road) to Point (13) on SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road) .1 mile north of its intersection of SR 1487 (C&B Farm Road); thence in a southerly direction to Point (14) on SR 1488 (Rifle Range Road) at the creek bridge; thence westerly following the tax district boundary to Point (15) on SR 1484 (County Home Road); thence southerly following the tax district boundary along the western side and including SR 1490 (Herman Sipe Road) to Point (16) at the end of SR 2285 (Westover Drive); thence southerly to Point (17) on SR 1491 (Section House Road) at the creek bridge; thence in a southwesterly direction following the tax district boundary back to Point (1), the beginning.

- (1) Points (1) and (2) join Hickory City limits.
- (2) Points (3) through (6) join Newton city limits.
- (3) Point (7) joins Claremont city limits.
- (4) Points (8) through (10) join Claremont Rural Fire District.
- (5) Points (11) through (13) join Oxford Fire District.
- (6) Points (14) through (17) join St. Stephens Fire District.

- (B) Excludes the corporate limits of Conover, Newton, Hickory and Claremont.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### § 342.06 COOKSVILLE.

- (A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on NC Highway 18 at the Catawba-Burke County line; thence in a northerly direction to Point (2) on SR 1112 (FD Road) on the Catawba-Burke line; thence northerly following the Catawba-Burke County line to Point (3) on SR 1113 (Brittian Road); thence in a northerly direction following the Catawba-Burke County line to Point (4) on SR 1114 (Wilkes Grove Road); continue northerly following the Catawba-Burke County line to Point (5) at its intersection with Camp Creek and the Catawba-Burke County line; thence easterly direction following the Camp Creek and fire tax district boundary and Camp Creek to Point (6) at the bridge on SR 1115 (Camp Creek Road) and Camp Creek; thence continuing following the tax district boundary easterly to Point (7) at the bridge on SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road) south of SR 1120 (Greedy Highway); thence continuing southerly following the tax district boundary to Point (8) on SR 1118 (Hudson Road) at the bridge over Camp Creek; thence continuing southerly following the tax district boundary to a Point (9) on SR 1116 (Providence Church Road) 1 mile from SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road); thence continuing southerly following the tax district boundary and Jacobs Fork River and unnamed branch to Point (10) on SR 1271 (Gracie Lane) .5 mile from SR 1108 (Lynn Mountain. Road); thence continuing southerly following the tax district boundary to Point (11) on NC Highway 10 at its intersection with SR 2044 (Banoak Road); thence following the center line of SR 2044 (Banoak Road) to the Catawba-Lincoln County line to Point (12); thence continue following the Catawba-Lincoln County line westerly to Point (13) at its intersection with Catawba-Lincoln-Burke County lines; thence traveling northerly following the Catawba-Burke County line to Point (14) at its intersection with SR 1101 (Roger Hill Road); thence continue northerly to the Catawba-Burke County line back to Point (1) the beginning.

- (1) Points (5), (6), and (7) join Mountain View District.
- (2) Points (8), (9), (10), (11), and (12) join Propst Fire District.

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- (B) This insurance district does not exceed five road miles from the fire department.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

**§ 342.07 DENVER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at point (1) on S.R. 1856 (Lebanon Church Road.) and the Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence northerly to a point (2) at its intersection with S.R. 1854 (Mountain. View Church Road.), and Excludes all property on S.R. 1856 (Lebanon Church Road.); thence northerly to a point (3) on S.R. 1855 (East Maiden Road.), at its intersection with S.R. 1856 (Lebanon Church Road.). Thence northerly to point (4) on NC Highway 16, at its intersection with S.R. 1846 (Mt. Beulah Road.), .1 mile south of its intersection with S.R. 1851 (Lineberger Road.), and including all property on S.R. 1846 (Mt. Beulah Road.) to the preceding point; thence easterly following .1 mile south of S.R. 1851 (Lineberger Road.) to a point (6) on S.R. 1849 (Mt. Pleasant Road.) at its intersection with S.R. 1963 (Navajo Trail Road.); thence easterly following creek to Lake Norman to a point (7) on NC Highway 150 at the first bridge over Lake Norman; thence easterly following Lake Norman to a point (8) at the Slanting Bridge over Lake Norman on S.R. 1844 (Slanting Bridge Road.); thence easterly following Lake Norman to the Catawba-Lincoln County line, being point (9); thence southerly following the Denver Volunteer Fire Tax District lines in Lincoln County back to point (1) the beginning.

NOTE: The boundaries of the Denver Volunteer Fire Department follow tax property lines as identified by both Catawba and Lincoln County Tax Offices. The rated district does not exceed five (5) road miles.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

**§ 342.08 FAIRBROOK TAX DISTRICT SERVED BY THE CITY OF HICKORY**

- (A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) at the City limits of Brookford and the City limits of Hickory; thence in an easterly direction following the City limits of Hickory to Point (2) at its intersection with I-40, exit 123; thence, continuing easterly the City limits of Hickory to Point (3) east of SR 1468 (Sweetwater Road) at City limits of Hickory on the Southern Railroad tracks; thence easterly following the Southern Railroad tracks to Point (4) on the Southern Railroad tracks near its intersection with SR 1476 (Fairgrove Church Road) and the Conover City limits; thence in a southerly direction following SR 1476 (Fairgrove Church Road) and the City limits of Hickory and the City limits of Conover to Point (5) at its intersection with I-40, exit 128, and the City limits of Conover; thence in a southerly direction to Point (6) at its intersection with US 70 and SR 1163 Old St. Paul's Church Road and the corporate limits of Conover and Newton; thence in a southerly direction following the City limits of Newton to Point (7) on SR 1163 (Old St. Pauls Church Road), east of Industrial Street at the creek; thence following the tax district boundary to Point (8) .1 mile south of bridge on SR 1165 (Settlemyre Bridge Road); thence following the tax district boundary to Point (9) on SR 1005 (Startown Road) .1 mile south of SR 1165 (Settlemyre Bridge Road); thence southerly following the tax district boundary to Point 9A on SR 1241 (Minton Street) .1 mile East of its intersection with SR 1005 (Startown Road); thence southerly following the tax district boundary to Point (10) on SR 1005 (Startown Road) .1 mile south of its intersection with SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road); thence in a westerly direction to Point (10A) on SR 2519 Fairway Drive .1 mile south of SR 1143 (Sandy Ford

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Road); thence in a westerly direction to Point (11) on SR 1146 (Robinson Road) .1 mile south of SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road); thence westerly to Point (12) .1 South of the Henry Fork River Bridge on SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road); thence northerly following the tax district boundary and the Henry Fork River to Point (13) at the Henry Fork River and City limits of Brookford; thence north following the city limits of Brookford back to Point (1) the beginning.

### Notes:

Points (1) and (13) adjoining corporate limits of the Town of Brookford.

Points (2), (3) adjoining the corporate limits of the City of Hickory. Point (4) joins the corporate limits of the City of Hickory and St. Stephens fire district.

Points (5) and (6) adjoining City of Conover corporate limits.

Point (7), adjoining City of Newton corporate limits.

Points (8), (9), (9A), (10), (10A), (11), and (12) adjoining Startown Fire District. With point (12) adjoining Mountain View and Startown fire districts.

Point (13) adjoining Mountain View Fire District and the corporate limits of the Town of Brookford.

Excludes all property in the Cities of Conover, Hickory, and Newton.

This description does not exceed five road miles from the fire department.

NOTE: This description describes an area of Catawba County pursuant to the NC General Statute 153A-233 for insurance grading purposes.

(Am. 2-15-99)

### **§ 342.09 HICKORY FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Contract entered into December 4, 1995, between County and City of Hickory, pursuant to authority granted by G.S. § 160A-11 sets forth:

- (A) The city agrees to furnish and provide continuing fire protection service to all property within its fire protection service area lying outside the boundaries of the city, [Viewmont Rural Fire District], by dispatching upon call of any resident or property owner within said fire protection service area, equipment consisting of pumpers, tankers, ladder trucks, command vehicles, and adequate personnel to operate the same.
- (B) The Tax Collector of the county shall collect the fire district tax so levied for fire protection in the Viewmont Rural Fire District and shall make payment of those taxes collected from residents located inside the limits of Hickory to the city as collections are made pursuant to a contract to collect all municipal taxes.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.10 ICARD TOWNSHIP FIRE DEPARTMENT, INC. (PORTION IN CATAWBA COUNTY).**

- (A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on US 70 at its intersection with the Catawba-Burke County line; thence southerly to Point (2) on I-40, .5 mile west of the Catawba-Burke County line, including the G and W Carson Road; thence south to Point (3) at its intersection with SR 1206 (Hildebran-Shelby Road); thence south to Point (4) on SR 1124 (Old Shelby Road) at the bridge over Henry River, including the west portion of SR 1124 (Old Shelby Road) back to the preceding Point; thence southwesterly

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Excludes SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road) to Point (5) at its intersection with SR 1126 (Burke County Line Road); thence westerly to Point (6) at the Catawba-Burke County line, .1 mile south of SR 1126 (Burke County Line Road).

- (1) Points (1) through (3) join Long View Rural Fire District.
- (2) Points (4) through (6) join Mountain View Fire District.

(B) Excludes any property in the city limits of Long View.

NOTE: This description does not exceed five road miles from the Icard Township Fire Department.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.11 LONG VIEW RURAL (FORMERLY WEST CATAWBA).**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on US Highway 70 at the Catawba-Burke County line; thence northeasterly along the Catawba-Burke County line and Long View city limits to Point (2) at its intersection with Burke-Catawba County line; thence southeasterly following the city limits of Hickory and the city limits of Long View and the city limits of Brookford to Point (3) at its intersection with the city limits of Brookford and the Henry Fork River; thence southerly to Point (4) at the bridge on SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road) over Henry Fork River; thence in a northerly direction Excludes the east portion of SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road) and all property on SR 1206 (Hildebran Road); thence northerly to Point (5) on SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road) at its intersection with Juniper Lane; thence northerly to Point (6) on I-40 Interstate Highway, .6 mile east of the Catawba-Burke County line; thence northerly following the Catawba-Burke County line to Point (1) the beginning, excluding all property within the corporate limits of Long View, Hickory and Brookford.

NOTE: This is a portion of a four-mile district adopted in November, 1977.

- (1) Points (2) and (3) join Hickory city limits.
- (2) Points (4) and (5) join Mountain View Fire District.
- (3) Points (6) and (1) join Icard Township Fire District.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.12 MAIDEN RURAL.**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) at the intersection of South Fork Catawba River and the Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence northerly following the South Fork Catawba River and tax district line to Point (2) at the bridge over South Fork Catawba River on SR 2021 (Blackburn Bridge Road); thence northerly following the South Fork Catawba River and tax district line to Point (3) .2 mile west of new US 321 Highway; this point also connects Startown and Propst Crossroads Fire District boundary; thence in an easterly direction following the Startown and Maiden fire tax district to Point (4) on new US 321 Highway; thence easterly to Point (5) SR 1005 (Startown Road) 1 mile north of SR 2007 (West Maiden Road); thence southeast to Point (6) at the Clark Creek Bridge on SR 2013



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(Sigmon Dairy Road) .2 mile from SR 2012 (Rome Jones Road), and Excludes property at the intersection of SR 2013 (Sigmon Dairy Road) and SR 2012 (Rome Jones Road); thence northerly following Clark Creek and Bills Branch to Point (7) on old US 321 Highway, where Bills Branch Creek crosses under the highway; thence easterly to Point (8) on the Southern Railway track .3 mile north of its intersection with SR 1883 (Prison Camp Road); thence southerly to Point (9) on SR 1883 (Prison Camp Road), .2 mile east of its intersection with old US 321 Highway Road; thence easterly to Point (10) on bridge over Pinch Gut Creek on SR 1880 (St. James Church Road), thence easterly to Point (11) at the end of SR 1938 (Pond Road); thence easterly to Point (12) on SR 1810 (Providence Mill Road), .1 mile south of SR 1915 (Diddley Dadburn Road); and Excludes property on SR 1915 (Diddley Dadburn Road); thence following southeasterly of the tax district line, Excludes property .1 mile south and west of SR 1858 (North Oliver Crossroads) to a Point (13) .1 mile west of the intersection of SR 1858 (North Oliver Crossroads) and SR 1874 (Water Plant Road); thence southwesterly and Excludes property, .1 mile north of SR 1874 (Water Plant Road) to Point (14) on SR 1874 (Water Plant Road), at the intersection of SR 1886 (Davis Road) and Excludes SR 1886 Davis Road; thence following the Maiden and Bandys Crossroads tax district boundary lines, to Point (15) on SR 1003 (Buffalo Shoals Road), .5 mile north of SR 1855 (East Maiden Road); thence southerly to Point (16) on SR 1855 (East Maiden Road) .5 mile east of its intersection with SR 1003 (Buffalo Shoals Road); thence southerly to Point (17) on SR 1862 (Henley Road) .1 mile south of SR 1863 (Parker Road); thence east to Point (18) on SR 1863 (Parker Road) .1 mile from SR 1862 (Henley Road); thence west to Point (19) on SR 1003 (Buffalo Shoals Road) .2 north of the Catawba-Lincoln County line, Excludes the David Cook Road; thence southerly to Point (20) on SR 1003 (Buffalo Shoals Road) and the Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence westerly following the Catawba-Lincoln County line to Point (21) at old US 321 Highway and the Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence west to Point (22) to the new US 321 Highway at the Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence west to Point (23) on SR 2008 (Biggerstaff Road) at the Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence west following the Catawba-Lincoln County line back to Point (1) the beginning.

(B) Excludes all property within the corporate limits of Maiden.

NOTE: Areas lying within Points (1), (2), (24), (25), and (23) which include a portion of SR 1005 (Startown Road) and all of SR 2022 (Herter Road) are considered in a non-insurance rated area.

- (1) Points (1), (2), and (3) join Propst Fire District.
  - (2) Points (4), (5), and (6) join Startown Fire District.
  - (3) Points (7), (8), (9) and (10) join Newton Rural Fire District.
  - (4) Points (11) through (20) join Bandys Fire District.
- (Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.13 MOUNTAIN VIEW VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NO. 4, INC.**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Being at Point (1) at the Catawba-Burke County line .1 mile south of its intersection with SR 1126 (Burke County Line Road), thence in an easterly direction to Point (2) at its intersection with SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road) and SR 1126 (Burke County Line Road); thence in a northeasterly direction to Point (3) in the Henry Fork River .1 mile west of its intersection with SR 1124 (Old Shelby Road); thence northeasterly following the Henry Fork River to Point (4) at the town limits of Brookford, and Excludes the town limits of Brookford; thence northerly, easterly, and southerly following the town

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limits of Brookford to Point (5) in the Henry Fork River to Point (6) on SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road) at the center of the bridge; thence southeasterly to Point (7) where the Henry Fork River and Jacob's Fork River meet to form the South Fork Catawba River; thence westerly following the Jacobs Fork River to Point (8) at the bridge on SR 1008 (Lincolnton-Hickory Road); thence continuing westerly following the Jacobs Fork River to Point (9) at the bridge on SR 1139 (Finger Bridge Road); thence continuing westerly to Point (10) at the bridge on NC Highway 127; thence westerly following the river where it intersects .1 mile north of SR 1120 (Greedy Highway) and continuing following westerly .1 mile north of SR 1120 (Greedy Highway) to Point (11) center of SR 1124 (Old Shelby Road) .1 mile north of its intersection with SR 1120 (Greedy Highway); thence westerly to Point (12) on SR 1115 (Camp Creek Road) at the bridge over Camp Creek; thence west to Point (13) at its intersection with Catawba-Burke County line and SR 1736 (Wilkes Grove Road) this also being a joining point with Cooksville Fire District; thence northerly following the Catawba-Burke County line to Point (14) at its intersection with SR 1124 (George Hildebran Road); thence northerly following the Catawba-Burke County line back to Point (1), the beginning.

NOTE: Points (11), (12), (13), (14), (15), (16), (17), (18), (19) and back to Point (11) are considered in a non-rated area.

(B) Excludes the corporate limits of Brookford. This description does cover area more than five road miles from the fire station.

- (1) Points (14), (4), are (3) are adjoining points with Icard Fire District.
- (2) Points (4) and (5) are adjoining points with Fairbrook Fire District.
- (3) Points (6) and (7) are adjoining points with Startown Fire District.
- (4) Points (8) through (13) are adjoining points with Propst Fire District.

NOTE: This description is pursuant to G. S. § 153A-233 for insurance purposes.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.14 NEWTON RURAL (FORMERLY NEWTAWBA FIRE DISTRICT).**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on Old US 321 South at Bills Branch, being a point with Maiden Rural Fire District; thence in an easterly direction following the fire tax boundary to Point (2) on Southern Railroad, .2 mile north of SR 1883 Prison Camp Road; thence south following the tax district boundary to Point (3) on SR 1883 (Prison Camp Road); thence southeasterly following the tax district boundary to Point (4) on SR 1880 (St. James Church Road) at the bridge; thence northerly following the tax district boundary to Point (5) on NC Highway 16, .6 mile east of SR 1804 Bethany Church Road, Excludes Woodstone Drive; thence easterly following the tax district boundary to Point (6) on SR 1802 (Mt. Olive Church Road) at the creek bridge; thence northerly following tax district boundary to Point (7) on SR 1806 (Young Road) at the creek bridge; thence northerly following the tax district boundary to Point (8) creek bridge, .1 mile north on SR 1807 (Love Road); thence in a westerly direction following the tax district boundary to Point (9) at its intersection with SR 1801 (Bethany Church Road) and SR 1807 (Love Road); thence following the tax boundary line to Point (10) on NC Highway 10 at its intersection with SR 1732 (Emmanuel Church Road); thence following the tax district boundary to Point (11) on SR 1732 (Emmanuel Church Road) at its intersection with SR 1734 (Travis Road) and Conover city limits and Excludes property on SR 1732

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(Emmanuel Church Road) to the preceding point; thence westerly following the Conover city limits to Point (12) at its intersection with SR 1164 (Old St. Pauls Church Road); thence southerly following the city limits of Newton to Point (13) at Radio Station Road; thence continue following southerly and the tax district boundary to Point (14) on NC Highway 10 at the Newton city limits; thence continuing southerly following the city limits to Point (15) on SR 2013 (Sigmon Dairy Road) at the Newton city limits; thence southerly following the tax district boundary to Point (16) at its intersection with SR 2014 (McKay Farm Road); thence following the tax district boundary and with SR 2014 (McKay Farm Road ) to Point (17) .1 mile south of the creek bridge; thence southerly following the tax district boundary to Point (18) on SR 2013 (Sigmon Dairy Road) .1 mile north of its intersection with SR 2012 (Rome Jones Road); thence following the tax district boundary south to Point (19) .3 mile south of its intersection with SR 2012 (Rome Jones Road); thence in an easterly direction following the tax district boundary back to Point (1) the beginning.

(B) Excludes the property within the corporate limits of Newton and Conover.

- (1) Points (18), (19), (1), (2), (3), and (4) join Maiden Rural Fire District.
  - (2) Points (5) through (8) join Bandys Fire District.
  - (3) Points (9) through (11) join Claremont city limits.
  - (4) Points (12) through (14) join Newton city limits.
  - (5) Points (16) and (17) join Startown Fire District.
- (Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.15 OXFORD FIRE PROTECTION ASSOCIATION, INC., OXFORD (CATFISH)**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on NC Highway 16, at the Catawba-Alexander County line; thence easterly, southerly following the Catawba River and Iredell County line to Point (2) at the end of SR 1006 (Lookout Dam Road), including SR 1006 (Lookout Dam Road); thence westerly to Point (3), .1 mile south of its intersection with SR 1006 (Lookout Dam Road) and .1 mile east of SR 1716 (Bunker Hill School Road); thence south to Point (4) .1 mile east of SR 1717 (Oxford School Road) and .1 mile south of SR 1716 (Bunker Hill School Road); thence southwesterly to Point (5) on SR 1716 (Bunker Hill School Road) at Lyle Creek Bridge; thence westerly following Lyle Creek to Point (6) on SR 1709 (Rock Barn Road) at bridge over Lyle Creek; thence westerly following Lyle Creek to north side of Conover City Waste Water Treatment Plant to a Point (7) in creek .1 mile north and east of NC Highway 16 and SR 1487 (C & B Farm Road); thence northwesterly crossing NC Highway 16 and following .1 mile north of the SR 1487 (C & B Farm Road) to Point (8), on SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road) at its intersection with SR 1644 (Yale Street), Excludes property on SR 1487 (C & B Farm Road), but including property on SR 1644 (Yale Street); thence westerly and northerly to Point (9) on SR 1512 (Houston Mill Road) approximately .1 mile west of its intersection with SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road); thence following the fire tax district boundary line to Point (10) on SR 1516 (Saw Mill Road), .1 mile west of its intersection with SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road); thence northerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (11) on SR 1517 (Springs Road), .1 mile west of SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road); thence northerly to Point (12) on SR 1453 (St. Peters Church Road), .1 mile south of Hunnington Road; thence northerly to Point (13) on SR 1453 (St Peters Church Road) at its intersection with SR 1519 (Valwood Road); thence northeasterly to Point (14) at the end of SR 1520 (Claude Road); thence northeasterly back to Point (1) the beginning.

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- (1) Points (1) and (2) join Catawba, Alexander and Iredell County lines.
- (2) Points (3) and (4) join Catawba Rural Fire District.
- (3) Points (5) and (6) join Claremont Rural Fire District.
- (4) Points (7) and (8) join Conover Rural Fire District.
- (5) Points (8) through (16) join St. Stephens Fire District.

NOTE: The area that lies northwest of Points (12), (13), (14), (15) to Point (16) are in the non-rated area.

(Ord. Passed 4-15-96)

### § 342.16 PROPT CROSSROADS.

- (A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) .1 mile north of SR 1120 (Greedy Highway) and in center of SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road); thence easterly following with and .1 mile north side of SR 1120 (Greedy Highway) to point where it intersects with Jacobs Fork River and following the river to Point (2) on NC Highway 127, at bridge over Jacobs Fork River; thence in an easterly direction following Jacobs Fork River to Point (3) on SR 1139 (Finger Bridge Road) at bridge over Jacobs Fork River; thence easterly continue following Jacobs Fork River to Point (4) at bridge on SR 1008 (Hickory-Lincolnton Road); thence continue following Jacobs Fork River, and turning south where the South Fork Catawba River begins; thence continue in a southeasterly direction following the South Fork Catawba River to Point (5) at bridge on NC Highway 10; thence continue southerly following the South Fork Catawba River to Point (6) on SR 2019 (Rocky Ford Road) one mile from SR 1008 (Hickory-Lincolnton Road); thence continue southerly following the South Fork Catawba River to Point (7) on SR 2020 (Wilfong Road), .5 mile south of SR 2019 (Rocky Ford Road); thence southwesterly to Point (8) on SR 1008 (Hickory-Lincolnton Road), 1 mile south of SR 2030 (Grace Church Road); thence westerly to Point (9) on SR 2024 (Reepsville Road), .5 mile southwest of SR 1008 (Hickory-Lincolnton Road); thence southwesterly to Point (10) on Reepsville Road at its intersection with SR 2026 (Macedonia Church Road); thence westerly to Point (11) on SR 2026 (Macedonia Church Road), at its intersection with SR 2025 (Leatherman Road); thence westerly to Point (12) on SR 2036 (Plateau Road), .5 mile north of Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence in a westerly direction to Point (13) on 2035 (Burts Road), 1 mile north of Catawba-Lincoln County line; thence westerly to Point (14) at its intersection of SR 2044 (Banoak Road) and SR 2043 (Wilson Road); thence northerly following the tax district to Point (15) on NC Highway 10 at its intersection with SR 2044 (Banoak Road) and Excludes SR 2046 (Lefevers Road); thence north following the tax district line to Point (16) on SR 1271 (Gracie Lane), .6 mile from NC Highway 10; thence following the tax district boundary to Point (17) on SR 1116 (Providence Church Road) .4 mile from SR 1117 (Young Road); thence northerly following the tax district boundary to Point (18) on SR 1118 (Hudson Road) at the bridge over Camp Creek; thence northerly to Point (19) on SR 1002 (Old Shelby Road) at the bridge; thence northerly back to Point (1) the beginning.

NOTE: The tax district area includes a non-rated area beginning at Point (14) at SR 2044 (Banoak Road); thence following south and center of SR 2044 (Banoak Road) to Point (19A), where it intersects with the Catawba-Lincoln County line and following easterly the Catawba-Lincoln County line to Point (19B) where the Catawba-Lincoln County line and the South Fork Catawba River intersect; thence northerly following the South Fork Catawba River to Point (20) of the tax district map in the South Fork Catawba River.

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- (1) Points (1), (2), (3), (4), and (5) join Mountain View Fire District.
- (2) Points (5) and (20) join Startown Fire District.
- (3) Point (19) joins Maiden Rural Fire District.

- (B) This description does cover areas beyond the five-mile insurance rated areas.  
(Ord. Passed 4-15-96)

**§ 342.17 ST. STEPHENS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT NO. 2, INC.**

- (A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) at the intersection of the eastern city limits of Hickory and the Southern Railway tracks; thence in an easterly direction following the Southern Railway tracks to Point (2) at its intersection with SR 1476 (Fairgrove Church Road); thence northerly following the center of SR 1476 (Fairgrove Church Road) and extension thereof to Lyle Creek to a Point (3) on SR 1491 (Section House Road) at the bridge over Lyle Creek; thence in a northerly direction to Point (4) on Eastover Drive, .2 mile west of its intersection of SR 1490 (Herman Sipe Road); thence northerly to Point (5) on SR 1484 (County Home Road), .1 mile west of its intersection with SR 1490 (Herman Sipe Road); and Excludes all property on SR 1490 (Herman Sipe Road); thence northerly and easterly following the tax district boundary to Point (6) on SR 1488 (Rifle Range Road) at the creek bridge; thence northerly to Point (7) on SR 1512 (Houston Mill Road), .1 mile west of SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road); thence northerly to Point (8) on SR 1516 (Saw Mill Road), .1 mile west of SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road); thence northerly to Point (9) on SR 1517 (Springs Road), .1 mile west of SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road); thence northerly to Point (10) on SR 1453 (St. Peters Church Road), .1 mile southwest of its intersection with SR 1486 (Lee Cline Road); thence west to Point (11) at the end of Montford Drive; thence north to Point (12) in Catawba River at the Catawba-Alexander County line; thence following west the Catawba-Alexander County line to Point (13) where Falling Creek enters Lake Hickory; thence south following the creek to Point (14) at the bridge on SR 1400 Cloninger Mill Road; thence southerly following the tax district boundary to Point (15) at its intersection of 9th Street, Drive, NE; thence continuing south to Point (15A) at its intersection with Hickory city limits; thence southerly to Point (16) at its intersection with 29th Avenue Drive, NE and the city limits of Hickory; thence continuing south to Point (17) on SR 1486 (Springs Road) at its intersection with Hickory city limits; thence southerly to Point (18) on Spencer Road (12th Avenue Drive, NE); at its intersection with Hickory city limits; thence southerly to Point (19) on SR 1007 (Old US 70) at the city limits of Hickory; thence south back to Point (1) the beginning.

- (1) Points (10), (11), and (12) in the northeast corner of the fire district is beyond five miles from the fire station and is considered in a non-rated area.
- (2) Points (1) and (2) join with Fairbrook District.
- (3) Points (3), (4), (5), (6) join with Conover Rural District.
- (4) Points (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12) join with Oxford Fire District.
- (5) Points (13), (14), (15) join with Viewmont District.
- (6) Points (15) through (19) join with Hickory city limits.

- (B) Excludes all property in the City of Hickory and the City of Conover.  
(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

**§ 342.18 SHERRILLS FORD-TERRELL**

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(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on SR 1819 (Brown Chapel Road), .1 mile north of SR 1833 (Long Island Road), a point joining with Catawba Fire Tax District; thence easterly to Point (2) on SR 1832 (Kale Road) .1 mile north of SR 1833 (Long Island Road); thence following the tax district boundary line to Point (3) in the Catawba River at the Catawba-Iredell County line; thence southeasterly following the Catawba River and Catawba-Iredell County line to Point (4) on NC Highway 150, at the bridge over Catawba River; thence southerly following the Catawba River and Iredell County line to Point (5) on Lake Norman at its intersection with Catawba, Iredell and Lincoln County lines; thence northwesterly to Point (6) on SR 1844 (Slanting Bridge Road) at the bridge over Mountain Creek on Lake Norman; thence westerly to Point (7) on NC Highway 150 at Mountain Creek Bridge; thence westerly to Point (8) on SR 1849 (Mt. Pleasant Church Road); .4 mile northeast of its intersection with NC Highway 150; thence northerly to Point (8A) .1 mile south of SR 1851 (Lineberger Road) and .2 mile west of SR 1849 (Mt. Pleasant Road); thence northerly to Point (9) on SR 1846 (Mt. Beulah Road) .1 mile south of its intersection with SR 1851 (Lineberger Road); thence northerly to Point (9) on SR 1815 (Little Mountain Road), .1 mile west of SR 1846 (Mt. Beulah Road); thence northerly to Point (11) on SR 1848 (Sherrills Ford Road) .1 mile west of SR 1850 (Hopewell Church Road); thence northerly to Point (12) on the Southern Railway tracks .1 mile northwest of SR 1859 (Hopewell Church Road); thence northerly following the tax district boundary line to Point (1) the beginning.

(B) This description includes areas beyond five road miles from the fire department.

- (1) Property between Points (8), (8A), (9), (10B), and (10A) including SR 1851 (Lineberger Road) are in a non-insurance rated area; the area between Point (10) and (10A) being a portion of SR 1515 (Little Mountain Road); also the area beyond Point (5A) on SR 1841 (Kiser Island Road).
  - (2) Points (1) and (2) join Catawba Rural Fire District.
  - (3) Points (3), (4), and (5) join Catawba-Iredell County line.
  - (4) Points (6), (7), and (8) join Denver Fire District.
  - (5) Points (9), (10) and (10B) join Sherrills Ford Fire District.
  - (6) Points (11), (12), and (13) join Bandys Fire District.
- (Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.19 STARTOWN FIRE DISTRICT.**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) on SR 2013 (Sigmon Dairy Road), 2 miles south of its intersection with SR 2014 (McKay Farm Road); thence in a westerly direction to Point (2) on SR 1005 (Startown Road) 1.1 miles north of its intersection with SR 2007 (West Maiden Road); thence in a westerly direction to Point (3) on the new US 321 .2 mile south of SR 2019 (Rocky Ford Road); thence northerly to Point (4) on SR 2019 (Rocky Ford Road) at the bridge over the South Fork Catawba River; thence in a northwesterly direction following the South Fork Catawba River to Point (5) located on NC Highway 10 at the bridge over South Fork Catawba River; thence continue north following the South Fork Catawba River to Point (6) at the bridge over South Fork Catawba River on SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road); thence in a northeasterly direction and Excludes .1 mile south of SR 1143 (Sandy Ford

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Road) to Point (7) on SR 1146 (Robinson Road) .1 mile south of SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road); thence in an easterly direction following .1 mile south of SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road) to Point (8) on SR 1005 (Startown Road) .1 mile south and east of its intersection with SR 1143 (Sandy Ford Road); thence in a northerly direction to Point (9) .1 mile south of SR 1165 (Settlemyer Bridge Road) and .1 mile east of SR 1005 (Startown Road) and Excludes this portion of SR 1005 (Startown Road); thence continuing easterly following .1 mile south of SR 1165 (Settlemyer Bridge Road) to Point (10) at the bridge on SR 1165 (Settlemyer Bridge Road); thence northeasterly to Point (11) on SR 1164 (Old St. Pauls Church Road) at the Newton city limits; thence turning south following SR 1164 (Old St. Pauls Church Road) and the city limits of Newton to Point (12) on NC Highway 10 and the Newton city limits; thence continuing south to Point (12A) at the Newton city limits, at its intersection with SR 2014 (McKay Farm Road) and then easterly following the center line of SR 2014 (McKay Farm Road) to Point (13) at the bridge over Clark Creek, Excludes the south side of SR 2014 (McKay Farm Road); thence southerly following Clark Creek to Point (14) in Clark Creek .2 mile east of SR 2013 (Sigmon Dairy Road); thence westerly back to Point (1) the beginning.

- (1) Points (1), (2), (3), (13) and (14) join Maiden Rural Fire District.
- (2) Points (4) and (5) join Propst Crossroads Fire District. Points (6), (7), (8), (9), (10), and (11) join Fairbrook Fire District. Points (11), (11A), and (12) join Newton city limits.

(B) Excludes the corporate limits of Newton.

NOTE: There is no property within this description more than five road miles from the Startown Fire Department.

(Ord. passed 4-15-96)

### **§ 342.20 VIEWMONT NO. 1 CENTRAL FIRE STATION, INC.**

(A) The fire tax and insurance boundary is described as follows:

Beginning at Point (1) in the Catawba River and the Catawba-Alexander County lines, at its intersection with Cloninger Mill Creek; thence in a southerly direction following the Cloninger Mill Creek to a Point (2) at the City of Hickory Waste Treatment Plant on SR 1400 (Cloninger Mill Road), where the creek and road intersect; thence southerly following the Cloninger Mill Creek to Point (3) just north of 15th Street Northeast, Hickory; thence southerly to a Point (4) on SR 1401 (Sandy Ridge Road) 16th St., NE, just north of 9th Street Drive, NE, Hickory, intersection; thence southerly following the center of SR 1401 (Sandy Ridge Road) and 16th Street, NE, to Point (5) at its intersection approximately 400 feet north of 23rd Avenue, NE, Hickory; thence in a westerly direction following the Hickory city limits to a Point (6) at its intersection with the Hickory city limits and 19th Avenue, NW and the Catawba River at the Catawba-Burke County line; thence following north and center of the Catawba River and the Catawba-Burke-Caldwell-Alexander County lines back to Point (1) the beginning.

(B) Excludes property within the city limits of Hickory.

NOTE: This description is the remaining portion of a three-mile insurance district that was established in May, 1974.

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- (1) Points (1) through (5) join St. Stephens Fire District.
  - (2) Points (5) and (6) join Hickory city limits.
- (Ord. passed 4-15-96)